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JARDINES' VESSEL ENTERS SHANGHAI

Mausang uses main Yangtse channel to reach port

SS. TSINAN FOLLOWING

A British merchant ship broke the back of the Nationalist's blockade of Shanghai yesterday.

At 8.32 a.m. the 3,331-ton Jardine, Matheson and Company vessel ss. Mausang steamed by Woosung Fort at the mouth of the Whangpoo River with more than 1,000 tons of high quality cargo.

For six months, no merchant ship has traded with Shanghai using the main Yangtse River channel—a channel the Nationalists have claimed to be heavily mined.

Yaumati "bomb" scare

A cigarette tin and a parcel believed to contain home-made explosives, were found by police in front of 52, Parkes Street and in the compound of 51, Parkes Street, Yaumati, at about 9 p.m. yesterday.

The police first found the tin on which, according to eye-witnesses, a paper saying that another home-made "bomb" was planted in 51, Parkes Street, was attached.

An emergency squad led by the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Mr. Wilcox; Mr. Cashman; Chief Inspectors Salter, Ross and Tyler were at the scene where the "bombs" were found.

After the discovery, a number of persons were rounded up for questioning by the police.

The "bombs" were discovered in front of the Ling Kee Glass and Wood Frame Makers' shop and in the compound of the Chung Hing Garment Factory.

U.S. interest in the Comet

London, May 29. Mr. Harold Jones, of the United States Civil Aeronautics Board, has arrived in London to see Britain's record-breaking jet airliner, the Comet.

After noting that Congress was being asked to authorize the use of jet aircraft on United States air routes, he told the "Daily Herald": "We would naturally rather use our own jets but we have no transport prototypes."

Some British manufacturers, the newspaper added, will not supply jets if they are merely to be copied by American manufacturers.

"Mr. Jones will have to place a big order if he wants British jet aircraft," the "Daily Herald" said.

Airworthiness

"There is another difficulty. Although America has agreed that our two countries should accept the same standard certificate of airworthiness, the United States has not implemented the agreement; so that British aircraft, however safe, cannot operate on American airlines."

"Mr. Jones will have to persuade his Board to accept our own general standard of airworthiness."

"American airlines are clamouring for jet aircraft. They know that they will be left without transatlantic passengers once our own jet liners come into operation."

"So action is expected from Mr. Jones. But he will find our aircraft salesmen rather tough dealers—and their prices are high."

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) from a depression in the NE of Tokyo, a trough extends NW to a small depression over the Loochoo and Shantung Seas, with a low pressure ridge over the Gulf of Tonkin. A weak ridge of high pressure extends from the coast of China across the Lower Yangtze.

Today's Forecast: Light to moderate southerly winds, cloudy with periods of thunders rain.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 85.5 deg. Fah. Minimum: 75.7 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 5.5 hours.

Forecast: 65.9 mm. = 2.6 in. Total since Jan. 1—412.8 mm. = 16.24 in. at present an average of 551.7 mm. = 21.72 in.

Soviet troops in China

Taipei, May 29.

The Nationalist Defence Ministry today alleged that Soviet Russia had poured 300,000 troops into Red China, making this charge on the basis of intelligence reports.

There was no way to confirm the accusation, which followed an earlier one that under arrangements between Moscow and Red China, 400,000 Soviet citizens would settle in Manchuria.

The Defence Ministry said over 150,000 Soviet troops were already stationed in Manchuria, where they were spread over Harbin, Dairen, Mukden, Changchun and other key cities.

South of the Great Wall, the Ministry said, about 10,000 to 20,000 Soviet troops were stationed in the more important cities, such as Peking, Tientsin and Tsingtao.

10,000 in S'hai

It said 10,000 Soviet troops wearing Chinese Communist uniforms and carrying Russian equipment, arrived in Shanghai via Manchuria and Peking.

Their final destination was unknown, the Ministry declared. Huge quantities of rice, it added, were being requisitioned to feed Soviet troops, with the quota for Hankow alone fixed at 20,000 bags.

Other pro-Nationalist reports said the presence of Soviet technicians, advisers and troops in Red China would make it impossible for the Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, to become a second Tito even if he so wished.—Associated Press.

RAIN UPSETS HOLIDAY PLANS

Holiday-seekers who prayed for sunny weather yesterday reluctantly abandoned their plans for a heavy daytime downpour of 48.6 millimetres—approximately 1.9 inches, the rain fell during the morning between 10 a.m. and noon.

Towards the afternoon, however, the rain abated. Recreationists were inclined to be pessimistic about the matter. They were comforted when the downpour dwindled to intermittent showers and drizzle as the afternoon wore on. The would-be picnic-goers and swimmers meanwhile, had to be content with staying indoors.

"Jungle Girl" doesn't want to go home



Bertha de Hartog, 13-year-old Dutch girl brought up for eight years by a Malay woman in the jungle, fought and screamed in Singapore after Chief Justice C. M. Murray. Anysele ordered that she be returned to her parents in Holland. For years Bertha's parents have searched for her. She disappeared after her father, a Dutch Army sergeant, was captured by the Japanese in World War Two. Aminah, the Malay woman who has been Bertha's "mother" all through, bitterly resisted welfare officials who tried to separate the two. She screamed that she would commit suicide if Bertha were taken away. Photo shows Bertha clings to Aminah outside the Singapore Supreme Court after the judgment. (A. P. Photo).

Baguio conference drafts resolution

Baguio, May 29.

Seven Asian nations, in an omnibus draft resolution, tonight warned the West that they should be consulted on all matters dealing with this part of the world.

They recommended to their own governments that they "insure that in consideration of special problems of South and South East Asia the point of view of peoples of this area is prominently kept in mind by any conference dealing with such problems, so that better understanding and cordial relations may subsist between countries in the region and other countries of the world."

Observers believed that this part of the resolution referred to the recent London conference and other gatherings in the past, which had taken up problems of Asia without the presence of representatives of the countries involved.

The draft resolution will be approved as a matter of course at Tuesday's closing plenary session. The resolution was drawn up today by all delegates sitting as a committee of the whole.

The conference President, Brigadier-General Carlos P. Romulo, said there was "a lively and illuminating discussion" of every paragraph of the 1,000-word draft resolution.

The delegates agreed to recommend to their governments the following main points:

1. That they reaffirm belief in the purposes and principles of the United Nations.
2. That they realize the "need for closer co-operation in an atmosphere of freedom, in order to insure orderly and progressive development of their countries and improved living conditions of their peoples."
3. That they act in consultation with each other through normal diplomatic channels to further the interests of the peoples of the region.
4. That they seek joint action through the United Nations in specialized agencies and other international organizations in ways consistent with the principles of those organizations.

Although the resolution created no permanent South East Asian organization, General Romulo stated at a press conference that the delegates provided the machinery for future co-operation.

The conference authorized its president to be a one-man coordinator to handle all matters with the respective governments regarding the resolution. He will be General Romulo.

NATIONALISTS RELEASE TWO BRITISH SHIPS

The 800-ton British steamer Cloverlock, commanded by Captain G. A. Patterson, returned to Hong Kong yesterday afternoon after one month's detention in Nationalist hands, with six shell holes, including one measuring almost one square foot.

The Cloverlock was one of the two British vessels detained by the Nationalist Navy on April 27. The second vessel was the ss. Sing Hing, owned by the Ta Hing (Hong Kong) Limited. They were intercepted by a Nationalist warship while about to enter Amoy, where the vessels were to unload cargo.

The Cloverlock and the Sing Hing were released by the Chinese Nationalists against a written guarantee that a certain amount of money for each vessel be remitted to Taiwan by the vessels' owners as pay for food and rice provided for the vessels' crew members during the period of detention. The Masters of the two ships were also verbally warned by the Nationalists that if they are found again attempting to run the Nationalist blockade against Amoy, the ships would be confiscated and the crews punished.

Both ships were fired on by the Nationalist naval guns when they were chased by a Nationalist warship off Amoy. One Chinese crew member of the Sing Hing was killed and another Chinese was wounded in the leg.

The three Britons and 32 Chinese crew members of the Cloverlock, however, miraculously escaped death or injury as more than 240 rounds were fired at the ship.

The Cloverlock was signalled by the warship to halt but she did not heed the signal and turned around and started to steer away. This caused the Nationalists to give chase, with their guns blazing away at the British merchantman.

The chase lasted for about one hour after which the Cloverlock was caught and escorted to Kin Men Island where she was detained.

During her detention, the Cloverlock had eight to nine warships moored around her. The warships had the double assignment of guarding Kin Men against any possible Communist attack from Amoy and preventing the Cloverlock from escaping.

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Dr. Fuchs spills the beans

London, May 29. Dr. Klaus Fuchs, the German-born British scientist now serving 14 years' sentence for disclosing atom secrets, will be asked tomorrow to submit to lie detector tests of his reliability as an informant on Russia's world espionage net, the "Daily Graphic" said today.

The newspaper said the lie detector had already been taken to the prison and would be used, if Fuchs agreed, at the request of agents of the Bureau of Investigation of the United States Justice Department.

Statements made by Fuchs so far to the G-Men have implicated over 100 Americans, Canadians and Britons in the transatlantic spy hunt, wrote the "Daily Graphic."

"Counter-espionage services of the three nations have acted on the information supplied by Fuchs. In Britain, 10 people he named are being watched."

The "Daily Graphic" said close-camera snaps of nearly 2,000 men and women who the FBI think may be spies have been shown to Fuchs and the results of the investigation were transmitted secretly each night to Washington.

"It is understood that Fuchs hopes for a remission of his 14-year term as a reward for the evidence he has provided, but no promise of any kind has been made to him," the paper said.

"He believes from four to seven years may be elated from his sentence," the paper added.

More arrests

London newspapers predicted yesterday that more persons, including some Americans will be arrested in the atomic spy probe, adds Associated Press. There was no official confirmation.

The Sunday weekly "Reynolds News" said:

"More than a dozen atomic scientists, Government officials, and businessmen are likely to be arrested soon in the biggest international spy round-up ever known and charged with passing top secret information to Russia. They include a Briton, at least one Canadian, and six Americans."

The Sunday daily "Empire News," a Kemsley newspaper, said that for the last 10 days, Dr. Klaus Fuchs, convicted German-born British atomic spy, had been "identifying suspect after suspect from films of thousands of people flown secretly and under close guard from America."—Reuter, and Associated Press.

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KMT using Tachens as blockade base

Taipei, May 29.

The Nationalists are using the Tachens Islands in an effort to maintain their blockade and at the same time supply their guerrillas on the Red mainland.

The two principal islands in this group are Shang Tachien and Helao Tachien. They lie about 190 miles South of Shanghai and 230 miles North of Taiwan.

Press reports said more than 20 guerrilla chieftains from the mainland gathered there on May 21 to discuss warfare against the Reds.

General Wang Shun-yi, commander of the Nationalist garrison in the islands, presided.—Associated Press.

China Motor Bus workers "go slow"

Workers of the China Motor Bus Company went on a two-hour "go slow" yesterday, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Drivers slowed down their vehicles, and conductors slowed down selling tickets to passengers. At the North Point Depot, workers idled away the time.

The two-hour "go slow" was started on the instruction of the China Motor Bus worker's Union to show their resentment over the attitude of the management in turning down their second demand for the reinstatement of 14 apprentices.

"The apprentices were dismissed more than a month ago, and the Company had already turned down an earlier demand from the workers for their reinstatement. The reason given by the management was that the apprentices were paid off to give place to six skilled workers who were members of the Union."

This excuse was not acceptable to the Union and on Saturday they sent in a second demand for the immediate reinstatement of the dismissed apprentices who they said, could be put on odd jobs in the meantime. They demanded a reply within 48 hours.

Yesterday morning the management turned down the demand, and the Union immediately gave order for the "go slow."

WESTERN UNION NAVAL EXERCISES

London, May 28.

Western Union countries will collaborate in a series of naval exercises this summer on a scale unprecedented in peacetime. Admiralty sources said today.

The first units from Britain, France, Belgium and the Netherlands will be joined by the Scandinavian countries in exercises to start in mid-June. The sources predicted: "Mutual defence will be considerably strengthened by this summer's naval activities in European waters."—United Press.



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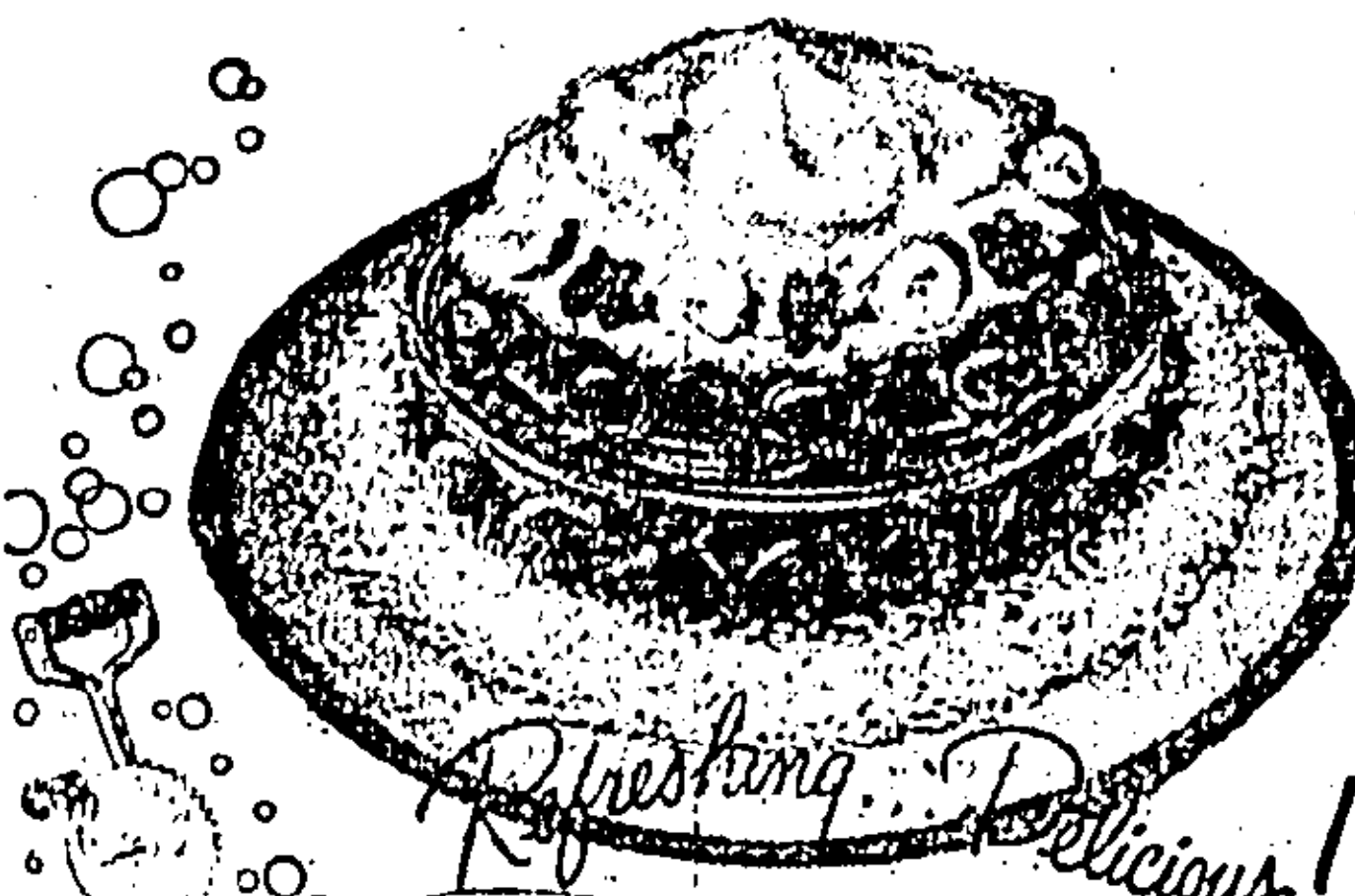
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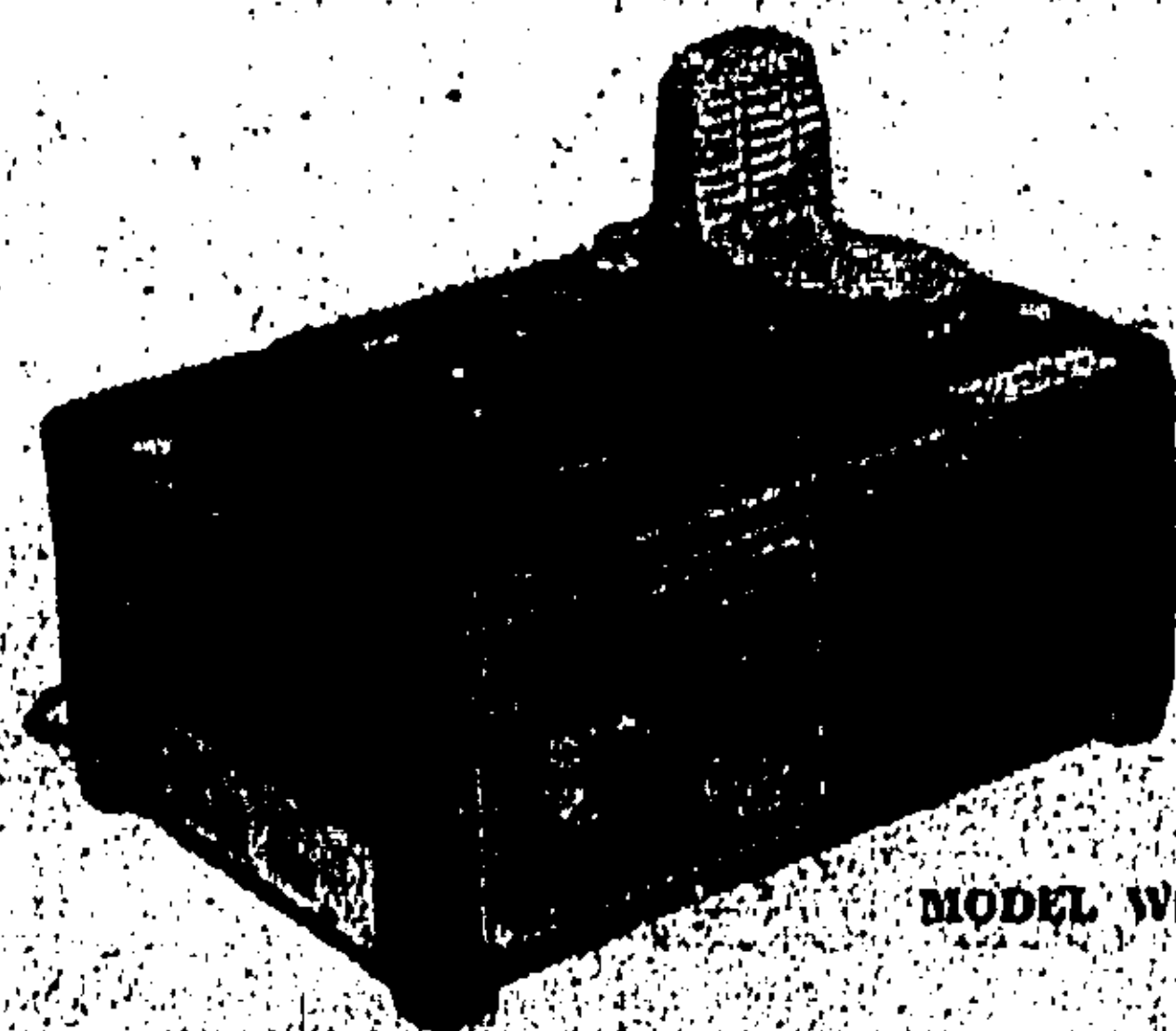
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War Office lecturer ends Hong Kong tour

Professor J. N. Wright, who has been lecturing to the Forces in Hong Kong for the last 10 days, will be leaving for the United Kingdom by air on June 3.



Professor J. N. Wright ("China Mail" photo)

S'hai official confesses to "squeeze"

For accepting about HK\$30 in "squeeze," a Shanghai man was recently forced to confess publicly at a neighbourhood mass meeting. He also lost his job.

Shanghai reports reaching Hong Kong yesterday said "Ta Kung Pao" identified the miscreant as Hou Cheng-chung, keeper of a mess fund in Sinehng district.

A former Nationalist official appointed to a Chinese Communist takeover committee, Hou began his "squeeze" in Nationalist times when "scandals and embezzlements" were rampant, "Ta Kung Pao" said.

Finally caught, Hou was forced to appear at the rally on May 17 and hear himself attacked for lacking "national consciousness" and for having a "craving for personal gain." He was then discharged.

Hou's case involved 179,340 Peoples Dollars. — Associated Press.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

Memorial Day will be observed at 11 a.m. today at the Monument between Leighton Hill Road and Tin Lok Lane.

The ceremony will begin with the reading of Scripture by the Rev. John Bechtel, after which the American Consul-General, Mr. Karl Rankin, will give an address. The Consul-General and Mr. Charles T. Carroll will then lay wreaths, the latter on behalf of the American Club, and the service will conclude with prayers by the Rev. John Bechtel.

MORE SHANGHAI BANKS CLOSE

The closing of three more Shanghai banks was announced on May 19 in the Shanghai Press. Reports listed the banks as the Fui Yien Commercial Bank on Peking Road Eastern, Yung Yu Native Bank on Nanjing Road Eastern and Chekiang Commercial Banking Corporation on Szechuan Road Southern. — Associated Press.

Professor Wright is Professor of Logic and Metaphysics of the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, one of the three oldest universities in Britain, being founded as far back as 1411. He is also its Dean of the Faculty of Arts.

His present lecture tour, his fourth since the Second World War, was undertaken at the instance of the War Office Advisory Committee on Education.

He arrived in Singapore about three weeks ago, and came on to Hong Kong after lecturing to the troops throughout Malaya.

Lectured in Africa

His previous tour was in 1947, when he lectured to the troops in Africa.

During the war Professor Wright gave lectures to and undertook education work for the Polish and Norwegian soldiers in Britain, and in recognition of his services he was decorated by both the Polish and Norwegian Governments in exile.

While the war was on he also made tours to Greece, Palestine and Egypt and gave lectures to the Forces there.

Professor Wright said his main interest is in Imperial and Colonial affairs.

Police find no Red troops on Lantau

A Marine Police launch, which left on Sunday afternoon to disarm 20 Communist soldiers who were reported to have landed on Lantau Island—returned to Hong Kong early yesterday morning with no Communist troops.

Acting on information given by a police informant on Lantau Island, the Marine Police arrived at the island a few hours before dusk, but could not find the troops anywhere.

Though they are continuing their investigation into the reported landing as routine police procedure, one officer said yesterday that the report of the landing was "erroneous."

The launch returned from Lantau at 1 a.m. yesterday.

Court Brevities

Cheung Lam-sam, aged 42, had his bail of \$500 forfeited by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday when he failed to appear in court to answer a charge of importing gold without a licence.

Nine gold bars weighing 36 taels and valued at \$17,000 were ordered to be confiscated by the magistrate.

A 64-year-old woman hawker, Wing Mun, was crying in Mr. Hin-shing Lo's court at Central yesterday when she pleaded guilty to a charge of hawking without a licence.

Defendant crying, explained to the magistrate that she had been in the Colony for 44 years and had no relatives.

Taking pity on the woman Mr. Hin-shing Lo cautioned her and took \$10 out of his wallet and gave it to her.

A well dressed Chinese woman, Yam Fong, aged 38, was fined \$25 by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday on a charge of evading payment of tram fare.

When asked for her fare defendant said that she had a monthly ticket. The monthly ticket was found to be that of her cousin.

Three Chinese women each with three previous convictions, were fined \$200 or six weeks each by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday when they pleaded guilty to a charge of soliciting for an immoral purpose.

Two other women, each with two previous convictions, were each fined \$150 or six weeks, and one who was absent had her bail of \$200 forfeited.

Fifteen others were each bound over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for a year.

FORMER QUEEN MADE SAINT

Vatican City, May 28.

A former Queen of France, Jeanne of Valois, was raised to sainthood today in St. Peter's Basilica and Pope Plus XII urged Roman Catholics to pray to her to bring all nations in brotherhood and peace.

More than 20,000 people witnessed the fourth canonization of Queen Jeanne. A special session was reserved for five religious members of the Order of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, founded by the Queen when she was a young girl in 1560.

Personalia

Messrs. C. L. Parks, D. C. Parks, R. T. Maynard, V. Kendrick, Lo Wing, Eddie Liu, M. Kanenberg, Miss L. Boul, Miss Q. McClure, and Miss D. Campbell arrived in Hong Kong on Sunday from Bangkok by CPA.

Arrivals from Singapore and Bangkok during the week-end by CPA included Messrs. G. S. Burford, Chien Fook-hai, Chou Ding-chu, Hsu Fok-chou and Ng Long-poy.

Miss Sue A. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hall and Mr. Sy Sek arrived in Hong Kong on Sunday from Manila by CPA.

The French Consul in Taipei, M. J. J. Auyvet, returned to Taipei by the Civil Air Transport yesterday.

M. Auyvet arrived here from Taipei on personal business during the last week.

Mr. M. Auster, Manager of the Hong Kong branch, returned from Tokyo by BOAC yesterday.

Indonesian trade pact with Japan

Returning to Indonesia after numerous conferences held in Tokyo, the Indonesian Trade Commission for Japan arrived here by BOAC yesterday.

Consisting of five Indonesians and two Netherlands, the Commission is headed by Dr. Riden Sudjone, Chief of the Foreign Relation Section of the Government of Indonesia.

The two Netherlands are technical advisers to the commission.

Dr. Sudjone told the members of the commission's Japan trip was to revise a previous trade pact between his Government and Japan.

The reason for revising the pact, Dr. Sudjone said, is because of new conditions prevailing in this part of the world.

Dr. Sudjone declined to state the nature of the trade pact. He said that the new trade pact which he has discussed with the Japanese Government is to be first ratified by his Government before putting it into practice.

The Trade Commission was met at Kai Tak by Dr. E. K. van der Mandele, Netherlands Consul-General here; Mr. H. C. Young, Managing Director of the Nan Yang Cotton Mill and Chairman of the Spinners' Club; Mr. C. L. Hsu, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese Manufacturers' Union; Mr. Kwee Joo-hoo, Indonesian Trade Commissioner here.

The group will leave for Indonesia via Singapore this morning.

KMT diplomat threatened in Manila

Manila, May 28.

Chow Shu-kai, Counsellor of the Chinese Embassy, was threatened by an angry mob and arrested last night after his car struck a 12-year-old girl in suburban Taytay, Rizal.

Chow, denying reports in Manila papers that he had been mauled and beaten up, told The Associated Press that after the accident he stepped down to help the injured girl.

"At this point," he said, "the crowd started to shout at me but they didn't touch me."

He said the girl did not appear to be hurt seriously and that she was taken home. Although Taytay officials apparently ignored his diplomatic immunity, Chow said, they released him soon after his arrest.

He added that he did not believe charges would be pressed against him.

Manila police had no record of the case and town police in Taytay could not be reached. — Associated Press.

UK COMMUNISTS ISSUE STATEMENT

London, May 28.

The Political Committee of the British Communist Party tonight issued a statement urging all sections of the British people to awaken to the danger of war.

It said: "All sections of the British people must awaken to the threat with which aggressive war preparations are being pushed forward by the Atlantic Powers. The fight for peace needs to be correspondingly intensified."

— Reuter.

BURMESE TAKE MADAIK TOWN

Rangoon, May 28.

Burmese Government troops have captured the town of Madai, North East of Pegu, in a surprise attack, according to reports today from Pegu.

North East of Pegu, 40 miles from Madai, the town was held by Karen rebels holding the town offered no resistance, the reports said.

A few miles away, Burmese military police killed 50 rebels and drove others from their positions in a surprise attack.

KOWLOON AMUSEMENT PARK OPENING IN TWO WEEKS

A lavishly-equipped amusement park, based on the lines of North Point's famous show-place, Luna Park, is to be opened within two weeks in Kowloon at the junction of Nathan Road and Dundas Street.

News to this effect was made available to the "China Mail" exclusively yesterday by Mr. Al Richardson, General Manager of Luna Park.

The Kowloon amusement centre will be known as the "Sun Park". Yip Ying in Chinese, as opposed to the Luna Park, which is known as the Ming Ying in the local vernacular.

No early election -- Woolton

New York, May 28.

Lord Frederick Woolton, chairman of the British Conservative Party, said today that the British people would not want an election soon after the last one and predicted none before autumn.

Predicting a Conservative victory in any new election, Lord Woolton said that chances were very small of an unexpected election resulting from a deliberate or accidental defeat of the Labour Party in the Commons vote.

He said the British people would disregard any complaints of insufficient majority in the Parliament and would be very resentful of any party that made them have another election in the course of a month or two after they made a decision.

Lord Woolton is here under the auspices of the Institute of Fiscal and Political Education Incorporated.

Explaining the visit, he said, "I have not come to influence Party political opinions here in the United States of America. I am a guest in this country."

He said at a news conference that he would analyse the last British elections in a major speech here on June 2.—United Press.

REPARATIONS FOR ASSASSINATION

Tel Aviv, May 28.

Israel will pay the United Nations \$54,028 in reparations for the assassination of Count Folke Bernadotte, will submit an official apology and will continue to search for the assassins, an official statement said today.

Count Bernadotte, a Swede, was murdered by terrorists in the old Jewish City of Jerusalem on September 17, 1948. He was then the United Nations Mediator in Palestine.—Reuter.

A press preview of the site will be held next week.

Reds rap on the back door

Anyone who was in touch with the European situation of 1938-39 as it drifted steadily to war must see as a grim parallel the position now developing in South East Asia.

Communism today, like Nazism 12 years ago, is on the move, confronted only by hesitating and divided resistance.

Week by week the trickles of the advancing tide extend and multiply.

The Chinese Nationalist outpost of Hainan falls, opening the flank of French-held Indo-China; amphibious and demolition increases in Malaya; a bomb is thrown at the Governor even in the heart of peaceful Singapore; half a dozen bombing incidents occur in Hongkong.

French officials are murdered by daylight in Saigon.

Front door guarded

These preliminary gestures for shadow Communist military attack—invasion being preceded by infiltration.

But while the danger grows more threatening, the attention of the Western Governments continues to be concentrated on Germany.

The front door is guarded, whereas it is against the back door in Eastern Asia that the next push is likely to be made.

American "roving Ambassadors" like Dr. Jessup and Mr. Griffin, roam swiftly about the Far East in the same way as Mr. Normun Davis used to visit the European capitals before the Second World War.

"Economic missions" draw up reports recommending improvements in Oriental standards of living; the Commonwealth's Conference met in Sydney 14 days before the war broke out.

But it would take a generation to bring these remedies into operation, and the Communist peril is imminent.

A single stroke, confronting the Communist peril, has become a reality in the Far East.

More than \$1,500,000 has been invested in the project by Mr. Richardson and the Gray brothers, Mr. Charles Gray and Mr. Frank Gray, who six months ago pumped \$7,000,000 into the Luna Park venture—described at the time as the Colony's riskiest post-war financial investment.

Bad luck—first the tram strike, then transport inadequacy and finally intermittent rain—has retarded the monetary returns of the Luna Park project, but Mr. Richardson said its popularity is now established, and the confidence of the three sponsors fully justified.

He said the opening of the new park in Kowloon—when Luna Park itself is not yet out of the "red"—is a measure of his faith in the continued prosperity of the Colony.

"The Grays and myself," he said, "have decided that the response shown by the people of Hong Kong to Luna Park, justifies our belief that the people of Kowloon will react in the same way."

All facilities.

The original purpose of the Kowloon project is to make it unnecessary for mainland residents to cross the harbour and proceed to North Point. All the facilities in Luna Park will now be available to them at Sun Park—located in the choicest part of Nathan Road, within walking distance of the finest residential areas.

The site will take up 70,000 square feet. It will house many new rides, including the Ferris Wheel, pop-corn booths, soda fountains, snack restaurants, and side-shows.

There will be no ball-room, but the construction of a swimming-pool forms part of a proposed future development.

The park has been under construction for four months. The last batch of equipment is due to arrive this week from the United States and Manila. Installation will only take a matter of days.

Mr. Richardson said Sun Park will be staffed by experienced hands and will be operated along the lines of its sister organisation. It will be the last word in lavishness.

A press preview of the site will be held next week.

Evacuation of Ling Ting

Chinese Nationalist forces began pulling out from their last foothold in the Ladrone Islands last night as troops were embarking and supplies were being loaded on several vessels assembled around Outer Ling Ting Island, according to a reliable source.

The same source confirmed that the two warships sighted on Sunday morning near Hong Kong proceeding towards the South West had reached Outer Ling Ting and were taking part in the evacuation yesterday.

Meanwhile, mopping-up operations were being continued yesterday by Communist forces against Nationalist remnants on several small islands of the Ladrone group.

Calm reigned the sea near Láp Sap, Mel Island and all vessels plying between Hong Kong and Macao resumed the original course off the Southern coast of Lantau Island yesterday.

Correspondence

To "Bookworm": Name and address, please, not necessarily for publication but for authentication.

Siam in danger

As Hitler got away with Austria and Czechoslovakia because the powers that opposed his policy of aggression were not prepared to resist it by force, so Mao Tse-tung may overrun China's small neighbours to the South.

Against this horizon the recent royal ceremonies in Bangkok appear as an example of futility while Rome is burning.

Siam is a contented and united nation, rich in resources, with a huge food surplus. Even her Chinese minority of 3,000,000 is prosperous enough to have no reason for wishing its former competitors to cross the border.

But the total population of the country is only 17,000,000; and just as Siam was forced to yield to the Japanese, so she could not be expected to resist the Chinese Communists if they attacked her.

As a warning

The only way to increase the defensive powers of the countries of South East Asia is to co-ordinate them.

At present each Government makes "independent" plans for its defence, the only common feature of their policy being an outstretched palm towards the United States.

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JARDINES' VESSEL ENTERS SHANGHAI

(Continued from Page 1)

One British shipping official said yesterday that Kin Men was in the "process" of being evacuated.

He pointed out that such an evacuation would mean that any future Nationalist blockade would probably be confined to sporadic air attacks, "but not on a scale that would effectively hinder any amount of trade with China."

Evacuation of Ling Ting

Chinese Nationalist forces began pulling out from their last foothold in the Ladrone Islands last night as troops were embarking and supplies were being loaded on several vessels assembled around Outer Ling Ting Island, according to a reliable source.

The same source confirmed that the two warships sighted on Sunday morning near Hong Kong proceeding towards the South West had reached Outer Ling Ting and were taking part in the evacuation yesterday.

Meanwhile, mopping-up operations were being continued yesterday by Communist forces against Nationalist remnants on several small islands of the Ladrone group.

Calm reigned the sea near Láp Sap, Mel Island and all vessels plying between Hong Kong and Macao resumed the original course off the Southern coast of Lantau Island yesterday.

Correspondence

To "Bookworm": Name and address, please, not necessarily for publication but for authentication.

Siam in danger

As Hitler got away with Austria and Czechoslovakia because the powers that opposed his policy of aggression were not prepared to resist it by force, so Mao Tse-tung may overrun China's small neighbours to the South.

Against this horizon the recent royal ceremonies in Bangkok appear as an example of futility while Rome is burning.

Siam is a contented and united nation, rich in resources, with a huge food surplus. Even her Chinese minority of 3,000,000 is prosperous enough to have no reason for wishing its former competitors to cross the border.

But the total population of the country is only 17,000,000; and just as Siam was forced to yield to the Japanese, so she could not be expected to resist the Chinese Communists if they attacked her.

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Sponsors of the scheme said yesterday that from all accounts large scale development of the island is not impracticable, but as in any large scheme there must be not only sufficient financial backing, but also the technicalities and promotion work that will have to be done through first.

Wounded by the shot which killed his fellow fessor Richard Haines, the British test pilot, Squadron Leader John Derry, was taken to hospital. He was allowed to go home after having stitches put in his forehead. A report on Professor Haines was still awaited.

The police said that the student was 22-year-old Kamal Nafarawt, son of the Assistant Under-Secretary in the Ministry of Education.—*Reuter.*

Kuala Lumpur, May 29.
Mr. James Griffiths, Secretary of State for the Colonies, returned to Kuala Lumpur by plane today after a crowded 24-hour visit to one of the hottest spots in the Malayan fighting, Dah Montakab, in Pahang State.

He had flown there in an Auster aircraft.

Mr. Griffiths and the British War Minister, Mr. John Strachey, are on a fact-finding tour of military and civil problems in Malaya.

Yesterday 20 planters gave Mr. Griffiths their views of the situation at a luncheon arranged by the President of the Pahang Planters Association.

Morecambe, May 29.

Powerful Co-operative Society backing was given here today to the British Labour Government's wage freeze policy to prevent inflation. This was regarded here as a bid for a greater share of power in British socialism's triple alliance of the Farmers' Labour Party, the Trades Union Congress and the Co-operatives.

Mr. J. W. Blower, in his presidential address to the Co-operative Congress, representing the largest group of Britain's organised consumers today described wages and prices increases as "a fatal line of policy."

If generally adopted, he said, they would lead to the end of the Co-operative Movement to an extent not only wreck Britain's economy but also disable export industries.—*Reuter*.

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 Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
 Union Jack Club, dancing class, 8.30 p.m.
 Nine Dragons Services Club, Billy Tingle's physical class, 8 p.m. White Horse, 8 p.m.
 Carved wood and Art Objects, exhibition by Mr. Tong Jing-yue, Hotel Cecil, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.
 William Powell, Limited, annual meeting, Jacobson Room, HK Hotel, 12 noon.
 HK Light Orchestra, rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 6.45 p.m.
 Cheers Services Club, Informal dance, 7.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

HK Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, monthly meeting, Chinn Fleet Club theatre bar, 5.30 p.m.

HK Art Club, monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (admission free).

Tot H meeting, 5b, Macdonnell Hall, 8.30 p.m.

Women's Section European YMCA, Mahjong Morning, 10 a.m.

Nine Dragons Services Club, dancing class, 5 p.m., screening of cartoons, 7 p.m.

Union Club, Whist Drive, 8.30 a.m.

Y's Men' luncheon, Roof Garden,
HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club lunch-
meeting, Peninsula Hotel,
12.30 p.m.
HK Women's International Club
Whist Drive for Services
7.30 p.m.
Union Jack Club, Tombola 7.30
p.m.
Nine Dragons Services Club
HK Band Call, 8.15 p.m.
HK Art Club, monthly exhibition
St. John's Cathedral hall, 10
a.m. to 6 p.m. (admission
free).

The sinking of the ss. Ebon
Swatow last Wednesday
morning might have been
caused by ramming an under-
water wreck, according to a
preliminary report sent yester-
day to the Great Southern
Steamship Company by its
representative in Swatow.

During the first week of the vessel's detention, the Nationalists repeatedly told the crew of the British vessel that the vessel would be brought to Taiwan.

Chinese crew members of the vessel were daily permitted to go ashore to purchase food for the ship, but the Europeans were restricted to their vessel.

Interviewed by the "China Mail" yesterday, the vessel's crew members complained that the behaviour of the Nationalist sailors was rude. They said that the Nationalists constantly shouted at them and accused the Chinese crew members of being Communists.

The Europeans complained about the poor food the Nationalists provided them. They also complained about the confiscation of their personal belongings. One European officer said that he lost several pounds in weight due to the bad food. When the vessel was seized the first action the Nationalists took was to take away the vessel's radio.

The Sing Hing was fired at and arrested by a Nationalist warship near Amoy on May 28 after she had left the Fukien port. She was escorted to Kin Men where she stayed throughout the 28 days of detention. Both vessels were released on Sunday after their masters had been informed by the Nationalist Deputy Commander in Kin Men that Talpo had authorised their release.

being escorted back to the Colon by the British destroyer. Until last night there was still no report about the Sing Hing's arrival here.

Private Robert Munro, of the
Army Medical Corps was
detained for 24 hours by
Manning Co. at Central post
on a charge of stealing \$
in mail box.

Photo shows a group of Philippine Boy Scouts who passed through Hong Kong yesterday on their way to the Scouts Jamboree in America, where 60,000 scouts from all over the world will attend. Mr. I. J. Montilla, who entertained the visitors at the International Hotel, Kowloon, is shown in the centre. Mr. C. C. Quah, Deputy Scout Commissioner in Hong Kong, is on Mr. Montilla's right. ("China Mail" photo).

Eighteen Philippine Boy Scouts who passed through the Colony on their way to the Second National Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, were entertained here yesterday.

Mr. C. C. Quah, Deputy Commissioner of Boy Scouts in Hong Kong, who conducted the visitors around, later expressed his admiration at their very friendly and jovial qualities.

Singapore, May 20.
Leading two goals after
minutes of play, the Sin T
soccer team was held to
draw today by a Singapo
Malay Selection when th
home team equalised bef
half time.

Belgrade, May 28.
A Yugoslav football team overwhelmed a fighting, determined Denmark XI today 5-1 in a test match before Yugoslavia's participation next month in the World Championships at Brazil.

Monza, May 28
Luigi Villorossi today won the Grand Prix of the Americas at Monza.
Second was Alberto Ascari, fourth was Delfino Serafini and fifth was Mario Tadini.
The first four were all drivers of 2,000s.
Fifth was Giampiero Bianchi in a Ferrari 2,000.
The foreign stars, J. M. Fangio and Hans Vogt Stuck were forced to withdraw.
Official classification:
1. Luigi Villorossi, Italy, Ferrari, 1 hour 32 minutes 2 seconds at 163.418 kilometers per hour.

A plea of not guilty was entered by a British soldier who came up yesterday before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon charged with indecently assaulting a Portuguese girl and punching two Chinese men. On the application of Superintendent Jones, the defendant, Lapper Lee, attached to the General Hospital, La Salle, was remanded for seven days in

Singapore, May 28 — A dusk to dawn curfew was imposed on about 8,500 square miles in South Johore province today, where the number of terrorist incidents have recently been reported.

Town areas will be excluded from the curfew. Yesterday, terrorists attacked a police base in the floating area of the river, killing two constables and wounding others, and burning a police station.

An armoured train travelling between Montabai and Montabai station in Pahang State was derailed yesterday after a bomb had exploded in front of it.

New York, May 28.	
Today's baseball scores were:	
AMERICAN LEAGUE:	
	R H E
New York	0 12 0
Philadelphia	3 9 0
New York (2nd game)	
Philadelphia	0 10 0
Detroit	
St. Louis	0 13 0
St. Louis	
Detroit (2nd game)	2 9 0
St. Louis	1 5 0
Cleveland	
Chicago	0 9 0
Cleveland (2nd game)	
Chicago	2 3 0
Cleveland (2nd game)	
Chicago	7 9 0
(6-1/2 Inning)	
Boston	0 11 0
Washington	7 5 0

Philadelphia	5	10
New York	2	4
St. Louis	6	11
Cincinnati	2	9
Brooklyn	1	5
Boston	4	9
Chicago	6	9
Pittsburgh	0	5
Chicago (2nd game)	5	9
Pittsburgh	1	8
Philadelphia	3	6
(2nd game)	1	6
New York	3	6
St. Louis (2nd game)	2	9
Cincinnati	2	7

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Road Central to Tai Ping
Shan Street.

Tung Street—From Queen's
Road Central to Tai Ping
Shan Street.

Upper Lascar Row—From
Ladder Street to Sai
Street.

Hill Road—From Queen's
Road West, east side of
nullah.

Peel Street—From Mosque
Junction to Hollywood
Road, and from Gate
Street to Queen's Road
Central.

2. Vehicular traffic includes
all vehicles, the owners of
which have permits to use any
of above roads to which entry
is already restricted by "NO
ENTRY" signs.

COMMISSIONER OF
POLICE.

May 25, 1950.

POLICE NOTICE.

It is hereby notified for
general information that owing
to excavation work being car-
ried out at the junction of
Robinson Road and Conduit
Road, traffic proceeding to
Conduit Road will do so via
Castle Road. Traffic proceed-
ing West along Conduit Road
via Kowloon Road. As from
9.00 hours on Wednesday the
May 31, 1950 to 8.00 hours on
Friday June 2, 1950.

COMMISSIONER OF
POLICE.

May 27, 1950.

SOME OF THE
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HONG KONG

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THE HONG KONG
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NOTICE

THE MAY HALF-YEARLY
GENERAL MEETING OF VOT-
ING MEMBERS will be held
at the Club House, Happy Val-
ley, on Wednesday, 31st May,
1950, at 5.30 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are cordially
invited to attend and
participate in any discussion
which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,

S. A. SLEAP,
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Hong Kong, May 12, 1950.



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Japanese shipping plans
a big come-back

By Richard Hughes

Japan's shipbuilding yards
will construct 300,000 tons of
shipping for domestic needs
this year—about twice the
maximum capacity of the in-
dustry before the war.

In addition, foreign orders
have been accepted for an extra
100,000 tons of shipping.

In all, 43 ships of 177,300 h.p.
will be built for home needs and
13 ships of 80,420 h.p. for foreign
buyers.

A master plan for full return
of the Japanese merchant marine
to world shipping routes and for
ruthless rationalisation of the
Japanese shipping industry has
been drawn up by Japanese in-
dustrial and political leaders.

The plan, which has been
timed to coincide with the return
of Japanese shipping to private
control, aims at the removal of
all post-war restrictions on Japa-
nese overseas shipping.

But realistic strategy has been
adopted, providing for a "reason-
able step-by-step" return of the
Rising Sun flag to the Seven
Seas.

This section of the plan is in
the hands of a committee of the
Japan Shipowners' Association,
including hard-headed operatives
from the old Japanese NYK, LSK
and Mitsui lines.

Simultaneously, the leading
shipyards of Japan, under skilled
United States advice, will initiate
a drastic drive to rationalise the
industry, to cut costs, reduce
staffs and improve construction
methods.

No subtlety

There is no Oriental subtlety
in the technique of the drive
for freedom of the seas for
Japan once more. The plan
is modelled on the simple formula
previously operated so success-
fully in other branches of the
industry.

The current release of Japa-
nese shipping from Government
control is a major reform which
has long been earnestly desired
by Japanese shipping interests.

It is now, however, being criti-
cised with cynical humility as at
once too drastic and too restrict-
ed, too belated and too premature.
In this calculated confusion of
voices, the old Japanese habit
of "crying poor in the honour-
able mouth" is being practised
with mournful emphasis on the
wicked British invention of
devaluation, the undemocratic
Japanese handicap of obsolete
equipment, and the atrocious un-
fairness of continuing to saddle
the American taxpayer with a
financial burden of cargo freight
payments which the honest
Japanese democrat is eager to
assume.

The facts are simple. General
MacArthur's directive ordering
the return of the Japanese mer-
chant marine of more than 2,000,
000 tons (only 100,000 tons
suitable for ocean routes)—from
Government to private control
has forced Japanese shipping
magnates—owners and builders
—to recognise the cold and harsh
economic facts of life.

The directive classifies Japa-
nese shipping in two categories—
ocean-going and coastal—and
orders that all ocean-going ships
shall be operated entirely at the

owners' expense, while coastal
ships will receive a gradually
decreasing subsidy, which will be
abolished eventually.

Japan's argument

The Japanese argument will be
that, in the absence of a subsidy,
the overseas ships should be per-
mitted to ply wherever they can.
At present they are restricted to
a few routes on the United States
and one route to the Middle East.

Application will now be made
1—for "a substantial increase"
in the share of export and im-
port cargoes by Japanese ships
to the United States, 2—for
authority to negotiate, in parti-
cular, direct shipping schedules
with Burma, Thailand, Malaya
and the Philippines; 3—for per-
mission for Japanese vessels to
call at "appropriate" foreign
ports to replenish food, fuel and
water, if not actually to conduct
trade; and, 4—for authority to
establish immediate overseas
branches of Japanese shipping
companies.

It is estimated that a minimum
of 700,000 tons of ocean-going
batteries is needed to transport
half of Japan's present import
and export cargoes. Currently,
only 22 vessels, totalling 100,000
tons at most, are serviceable for
ocean routes.

At this point, therefore, the
plan for freedom of the seas
unites as a master plan with the
associated drive to rationalise
shipbuilding methods.

In actual fact, Japan's ship-
building industry escaped lightly
war-time bombing. Steel cer-
tainly has been scarce, but heavy
industry is recovering although,
as in all branches of production,
the Japanese are prepared to
starve their own needs at home
to build up export markets.

Most Allied observers in Tokyo
agree that the unifying of Japa-
nese shipping interests, must tend
to build up again powerful ship-
ping groups at the expense of
smaller units and yards—one of
the pre-war abuses which the
Occupation was originally de-
signed to reform.

DALAT TALKS

Paris, May 28.
The Vietnamese Prime Minis-
ter, Tran van Huu, left Saigon
today for Dalat, Southern An-
nam, to report to Bao Dai, head
of the Vietnam State, on the
results of talks yesterday be-
tween the French High Com-
missioner for Indo-China, M.
Leon Pignon, and representatives
of the three Indo-Chinese States,
the Agence France Presse re-
ported.

The discussions concerned only
the two milliard francs aid
granted by France to the three
States usually well-informed
circles said.

Most of this aid will go to
Vietnam—and especially to areas
in the Red River delta (Northern
Indo-China) which have particu-
larly suffered under the Viet-
minh occupation.

The sharing of American aid
will not be discussed until after
the arrival of Mr. Robert Blum,
head of the American economic
mission, expected in Saigon to-
day.—Reuter.

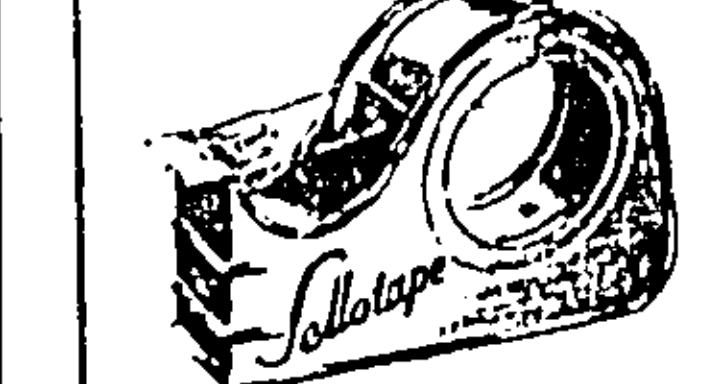
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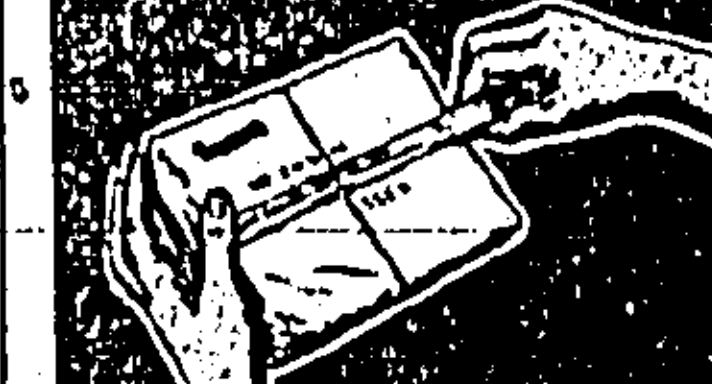
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give him a good example of the
"smother play." It would be bet-
ter still if your friend could get
the beautiful play on some deal.
This none-too-nice named man-
oeuvre consists of managing to
keep an apparently too well-
guarded trump honour of an ap-
parently from ever taking a trick.

S 7 5 2
H A 9 6 2
D A 8 5
C Q J 9

S Q J 8 6
H 4 3
D H Q J 10
C 8 7 5 4

S 10
H K 7 5
D Q J 10 6 3 2
C A K 2

(Dealer: South East-West vul-
nerable).

South West North East
1 D Pass 1 H Pass
2 D Pass 3 D Pass
4 D Pass 5 D Pass

South ruffed the second spade
honour from West. Then, seeing
that he would surely lose a trick
in hearts and so could not afford
to lose in trumps, sent the diamond
Q through. It won all right, but
East's spade discard brought him
to an abrupt halt, as he realised
West had two guards left to his
diamond K while the A had only
one guard in the dummy. His
only chance was a "smother
play," and that depended on
guessing the rest of West's dis-
tribution.

To the fourth trick, he finessed
the diamond 9, totally unguard-
ing the A. Next he cleared out
clubs with the A, K and Q, elim-
inated the last spade from dummy
with a ruff, took in the heart
K and A and then led the 9, hop-
ing that East would have to win
it and that West would have to
follow suit. Both of these de-
veloped, so the play he had built
up was now sure to win. With
only one card of each black suit
left, East chose his club 8, but it
really made no difference.

At this stage the declarer had
left only the diamond J-10, so put
the J on. Over in dummy West
saw the diamond A and heart 9.
Holding the diamond K-8, West
realized that if he under-ruffed
the J with the 8, the heart would
be discarded from dummy and
the A would get the last trick,
whereas if he put on the K, the
A would over-ruff it and the di-
amond 10 would win the final
trick. So he gave up, showed his
two cards and congratulated
South on his skill.

Tomorrow's Problem
S K J 4
H K Q 9 7
D A K J
C A K 4

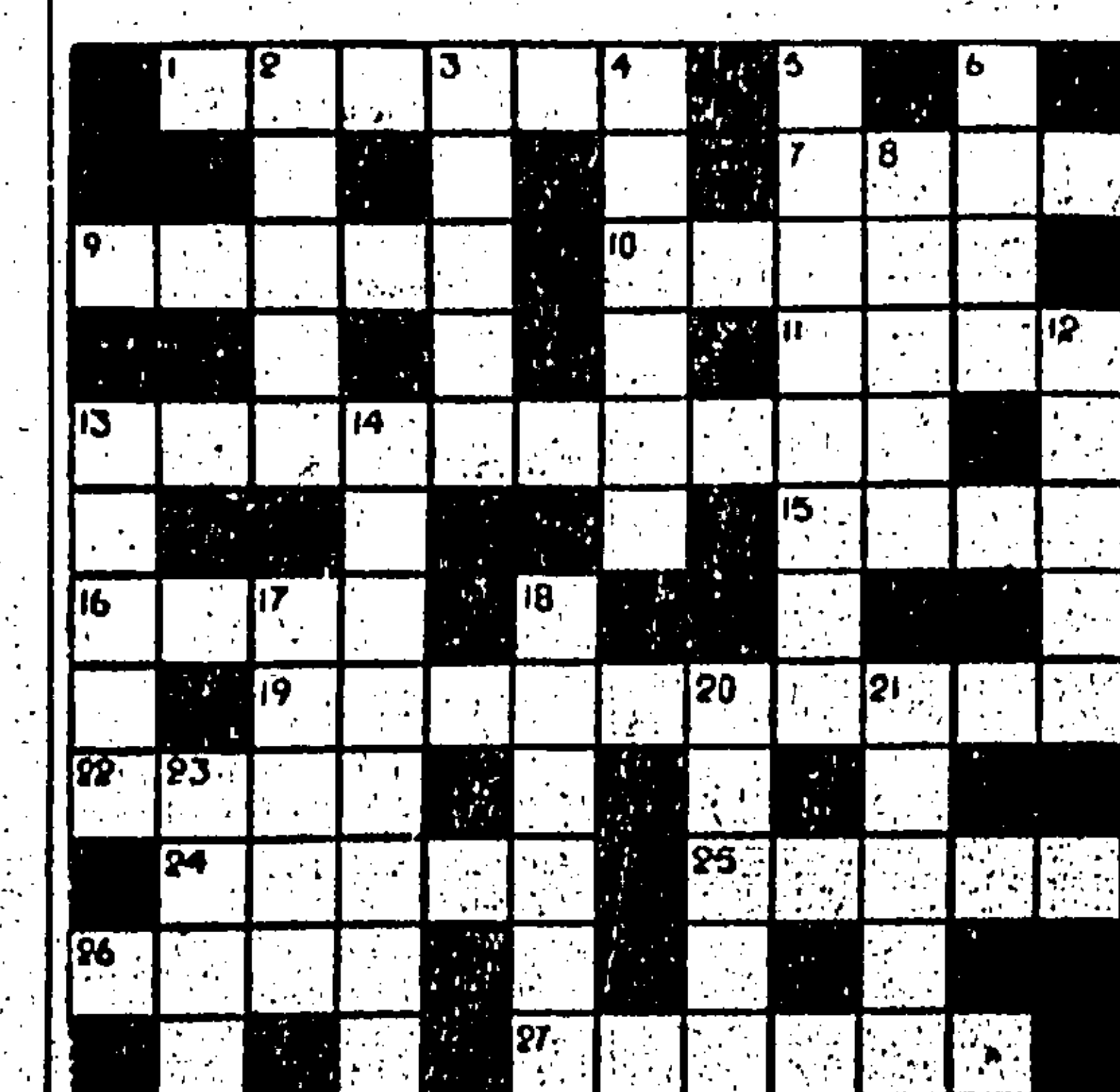
S A Q 5 2
H A J
D 8 7 4
C Q 10 9

S 10 8
H 8 5 4 3 2
D 6 5 2
C J 6 2

(Dealer: West. North-South
vulnerable).

How should South play at 4-
hearts after West favours him
with a lead of the club 10?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1 Barbarian. 15 Split.
7 Giant. 16 Prevailing.
9 Delight. 19 Meddled.
10 Rendezvous. 22 Dressing.
11 Ground for. 24 Elevate.
building. 25 Fruit.
13 "Swung the. 26 Game.
lead." 27 Dormant.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS:—1 Impact, 4 Score,
Mettle, 8 Bench, 10 Tale, 12
Cubicle, 15 Angle, 16 Calm, 17
Rent, 19 Adieu, 20 Extreme, 21
Str, 23 Tense, 24 Recoil, 25 Still,
26 Crail.

Down

2 Use. 14 Recognise as
3 Evil spirit. the same.
4 Taxes. 17 Ultimate.
5 Confection. 18 Give-away.
6 Chafe. 20 Rime.
8 Influence. 21 Hold sway.
12 Finished. 23 Metal.
13 Maxim.

DOWN:—1 Immature, 2 Peju-
antr, 3 Cell, 5 Crevice, 6 Roenil,
8 Buede, 11 Entresol, 12 Clump,
13 Cautious, 14 Emeralds, 16 Ex-
port, 22 Ban.

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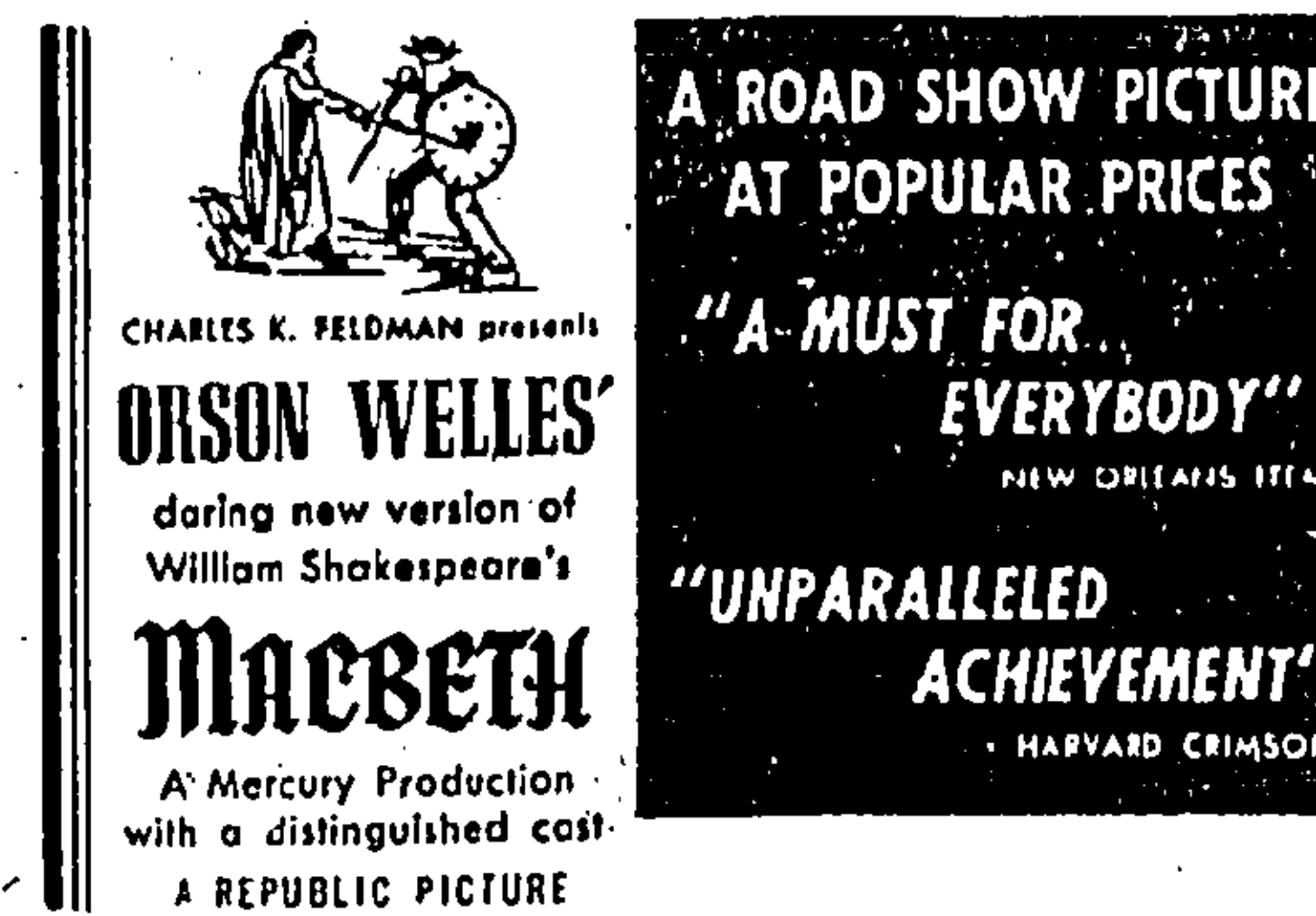
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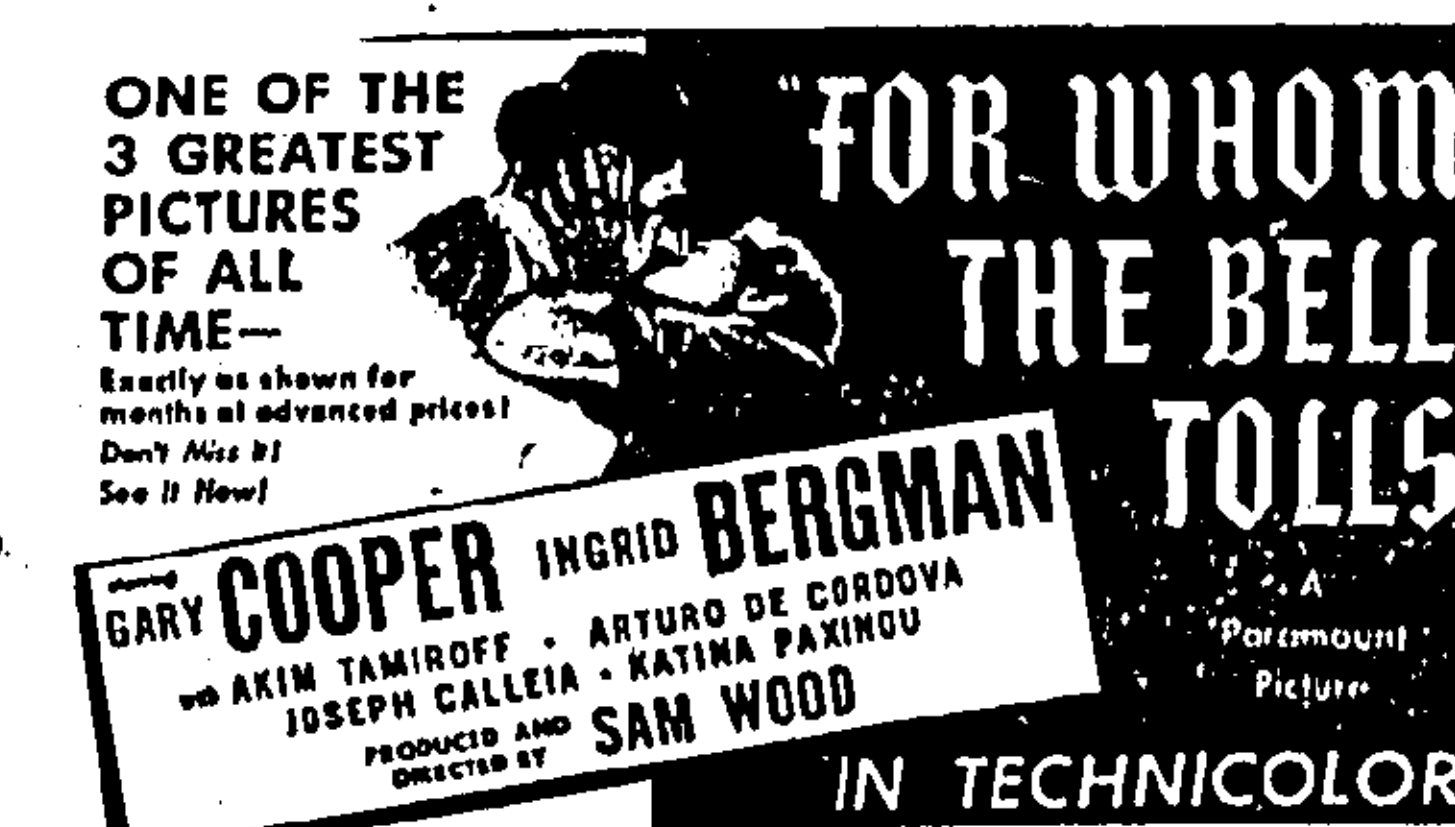
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FATE OF JAPAN'S LIBERAL PARTY HANGS ON ELECTION

Tokyo, May 29.

The elections to the Upper House (the Japanese Diet) on June 4 may decide the fate of Japan's present Liberal Party Government headed by 72-year-old Shigeru Yoshida, the Prime Minister.

One hundred and twenty-five out of 250 seats in the House of Councillors will be filled. The Liberal Party needs to win at least 90 of these seats to be assured of a working majority in the Upper House.

Arabs to draft joint reply

Baghdad, May 28.

The duty of the Arab Government toward the three power joint statement on the Middle East is to contact all other Arab governments to draw a joint reply, said Premier Tawfiq Alsawaid in the Senate today. The Premier told the Senate that he had already contacted the Egyptian Minister and gave him the main points of view of the Iraqi Government and its representatives of other Arab governments so that "all Arab governments may draw a joint reply in which we deal with the whole question, including repeated violations of UN resolutions by Israel."

Alsawaid disclosed that his government had asked the three-power representatives what was meant by a truce of frontiers, whether this would mean final Israeli frontiers and what would be the guarantee that Israel would not violate the provisions of the joint statement?

The answer received was, said the Premier, "that the truce of frontiers is not final and does not mean that the Palestine problem has been solved and similarly that any possible Israeli violations would be discussed."

Several Senate members urged the government to stand firmly and reject the joint statement.

Meeting wanted

Senator Nuri Alsaid, leader of the Constitutional Union Party, asked leaders of all Arab governments to meet and prepare a joint reply to this statement.

Alsaid said the Arab governments are supplied with arms according to the provisions of treaties for which they had paid in granting military bases and other privileges to the great powers. To equalize Israel with the Arabs in such questions, said Nuri Alsaid, would mean the shattering of such treaties.

Nuri Alsaid described the establishment of Israel as the greatest aggression by the UN and with the help of the great powers against the Arabs, therefore the joint statement means nothing in regard to prevention of aggression in the Middle East. Concluding, Nuri Alsaid advised Arab leaders to meet and decide upon useful action toward the joint statement.—Associated Press.

DESECRATION OF GRAVES

Wiesbaden, May 28. Minister-President Christian Stock appealed to the Hessian people today to help check desecration of Jewish cemeteries in this American zone State.

Acting on an appeal from the U.S. State Commissioner, Mr. James Newman, Herr Stock said police vigilance against desecration was not sufficient. "It is essential that every honest man should help fight these acts. All parents, teachers and priests should impress on their children that graves of human beings are holy," he said.—Associated Press.



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N. Brunswick forest fire spreading

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Citizens of Allardville, surrounded on three sides by wind-whipped flames, prepared to abandon their homes. The social authorities said a slight windshift would send flames leaping into the town within a few hours. Villagers in Val Duncanto, 10 miles North of here, have already been evacuated. The town authorities appealed for trucks and men to assist the fight.

More than a thousand men are fighting the forest fire, which is still raging uncontrolled on a nine-mile front. It has already burned over a 15-mile stretch, destroying dozens of back country homes. At least 12 more persons were made homeless this afternoon and flames licked within a few feet of four more isolated residences.—United Press.

COMMANDOS IN PENANG

Singapore, May 28.

To reinforce troops engaged in anti-terrorist operations in Malaya, 500 officers and men of the 40th Commando, of the Third Commando Brigade of the Royal Marines, arrived at Penang yesterday from Hong Kong.

The Third Commando Brigade is being transferred to Malaya for this purpose and the 42nd and 45th Units will arrive next month.—Reuter.



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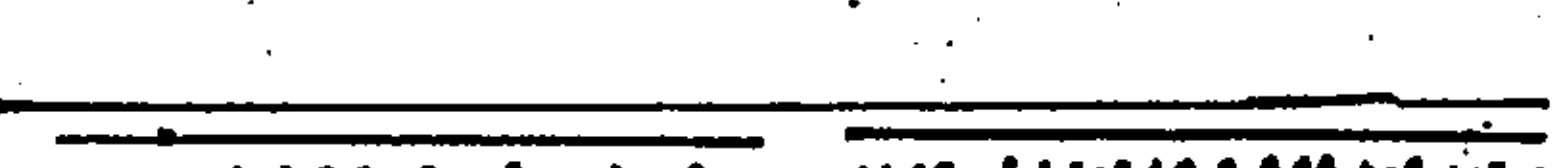


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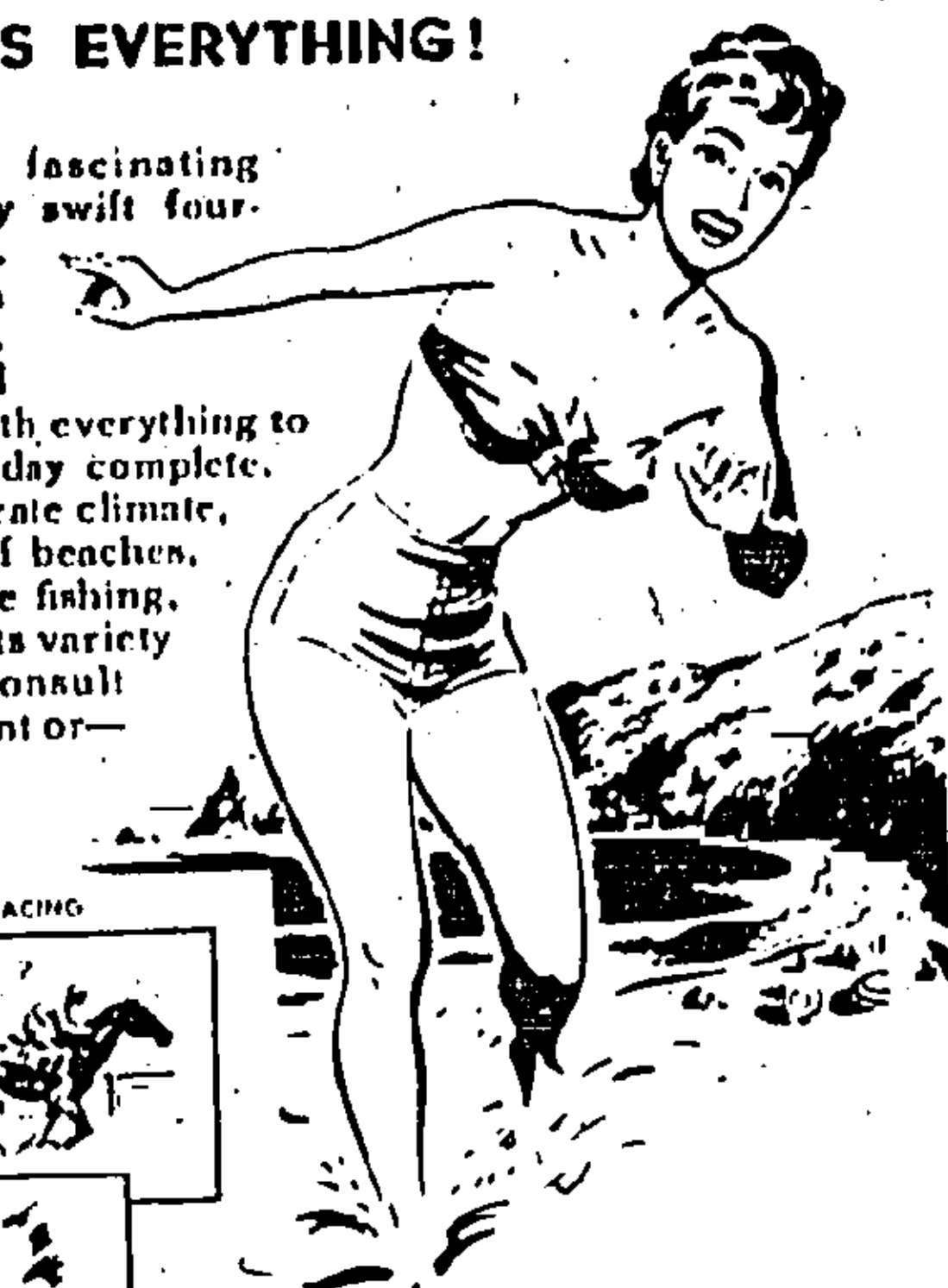
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TRANSFORMATION OF ASIA

Industrial plans alone which have been reported to the United Nations Economic Commission for the Far East call for an outlay of \$13,000 million over five years. Some of the plans are much too ambitious, and some also overlap. But the huge figure mentioned gives some measure of the financial problem which will confront the Commonwealth conference on economic aid to South East Asia next September. If China entered the picture right away the figure would be far greater, but the Communists will see to it that she doesn't. Meanwhile the West can address itself to South East Asia, and China look to Russia for aid. Comparisons will no doubt be most interesting. Some people feel that a good dose of Communism is the best method of conditioning the more disturbed areas for disciplined, large-scale effort and co-operation such as the Marshall Plan evoked in Europe, and that the West should wait and do nothing until the rebound comes. That may be true of China, where we have no option, but in the rest of Asia it would be defeatism.

While the Sydney Conference was in session, ECAFE was dealing with the report of the Working Party which has been studying the plans put forward by some of the Governments of the South East Asia area for improving the condition of their peoples. In the United States, an Economic Mission has reported to Washington on the needs of Indonesia, Siam, Burma, Malaya and Indochina. Aid to the amount of \$64 million has already been voted by Congress. Useful suggestions for developing the region may also emerge from the conference which President Quirino has summoned at Baguio. The machinery which is to be created on the recommendation of the Sydney Conference could serve to co-ordinate all these separate plans and activities.

The aim is, of course, to make the best use of the brains and resources of every country which is ready to play its part in raising the living standards of South East Asia. Many of their needs can be met in great part by better use and greater development of the resources locally available. Existing supplies of food, consumer goods, seeds, tools and medical equipment could be more effectively distributed by concerted measures. It is pointed out that this was the principle on which, during the war, supplies in the Middle East were arranged. Now, as was seen at Sydney, the best way of helping the peoples of South East Asia is first to find out what they need and then to show them how best they can help themselves with the help of their Western friends.

When the vast range of the economic problem comes to be surveyed in September it

British seaports--No. 2:

FOR 51 WEEKS THE SEA IS BOSS IN LIVERPOOL

By Arthur La Bern

Once a year, during Grand National Week, Liverpool is dominated by the men of the racing, stable, by the people who own, ride, train, or bet on horses. During the rest of the year it is dominated by the men who go down to the sea in ships.

Even the taxi-driver who drove me to Birkenhead, where the new Ark Royal is towering over Cammell Lairds, had a master mariner's ticket.

When I asked Devon-born Peter Wigglin to drive me to Birkenhead he replied "Aye, aye, sir."

Swallowed the anchor

Peter told me: "I swallowed the anchor way back in the slump, and except for the war years have been driving a taxi ever since."

Lord Chief Justice Goddard has said that Liverpool's crime story does not present a pretty picture. But Liverpool is a city of contrasts. Organized crime in the city has been virtually wiped out—but crimes of violence, including assaults on the police, have increased considerably.

What can one expect of a city where the hotels put black pudding on the breakfast menu? What can one expect of a city where they hold gala dances in the building where men are sentenced to death—the Assize Court in St. George's Hall? Last man to be sentenced to death in Liverpool's Assize Court over the dance hall was "Killer Kelly," who shot the Cameo Cinema manager just a year ago.

'Terror' forgotten

I started my tour of Liverpool at the "Bee-hive" where, on a Saturday night just a year ago, Kelly planned to rob the Cameo Cinema. The man who served me was the barman who gave evidence at Kelly's trial.

But although Kelly is due to hang, the Lime Street "terror" of a year ago is already a forgotten thing. The talk was of other things.

Said a cloth-capped book-maker in the corner: "Worst

will far transcend the unaided financial resources of the British nations. It is important, as Mr. Spender said, that these nations—"a solid group of workable democracies" in the troubled area of South East Asia—should have taken the lead. But all recognize that any realistic programme of help will require the co-operation of non-Commonwealth countries. Britain has already made available since the war £750 million to the countries of South East Asia, including India and Pakistan. This cannot continue on such a scale. Yet immense funds will be needed for the agricultural rehabilitation and industrial development of the area.

At Sydney the countries of the Commonwealth made it plain that they were not prepared to deal with any plans for economic aid that were concerned merely with stemming the advance of Communism. They insisted that all projects of this kind must be sound in themselves. As Mr. Bevin emphasised in the recent debate in the House of Commons, it will be impossible to deal with the affairs of South East Asia unless full account is taken of the feelings of India, Pakistan and Ceylon. This attitude is natural, but only prompt and substantial assistance will carry conviction in that area. There is even fear that ground will be lost between now and September, when the new machinery, planned to link the Commonwealth with other countries interested in South East Asia, should begin to function.

The minds of the Asian leaders are being conditioned to broader conceptions than the narrow nationalism of their new-found independence. There is still much to be done both in psychology and in a more scientific approach, from such things as weights and measures to more exact definition of precise needs in new development. But the principle has been accepted that poverty and penury in one area are a positive peril to prosperity and peace everywhere, and it is a principle that will transform Asia, as the industrial revolution transformed Eighteenth Century England.

Grand National I've ever known, and I've seen 39. My firm took only £15 on the big race. Another bookmaker took only £14.

You don't need statistics to tell you that Liverpool has the highest birth-rate of any big city in England—the evidence is all around, running pell-mell about the streets until all hours of the night, not only in the suburbs but in the centre of the city itself.

Liverpool's birth-rate is 22.3 per 1,000 of the population. Liverpool has a permanent foreign population of 5,000, including 31 nationalities. In addition, there is a floating population of 8,500 alien registrations a year.

Best behaved of them are the Chinese. Last night I toured the Chinese gambling houses in Nelson Street, where fan-tan and a dozen other Chinese gambling games were going on at the tables to a background of shrill-voiced excitement.

Cause no trouble

Don't tell me the Chinese never show excitement. You should see them in the Nelson Street gaming houses.

The police never interfere with them. They gamble night and day—no laws on earth would stop them—but rarely cause any trouble.

The same cannot always be said of the Negro population.

I visited a coloured men's club in Parliament Street, which not

so long ago was the scene of violent riots. Here the white girls flock to dance with the coloured men.

I saw a young white girl arrive with a bunch of tulips which she presented to a grinning coloured boy, who tossed them aside and said: "Come on, sugar, let's dance."

The coloured boys are particularly about the type of white girl they allow into their club. Usually, these girls appear to be a cut above those in coloured head-scarves who associate with the seamen in Lime Street. Some of them are respectably married.

One of them said to me: "I come here because the coloured boys are such good dancers, and they always treat you with respect—more respect than you would get from some of the white men in Liverpool."

Housing-proud

But all is not dark in Liverpool. This city with a population of 800,000 claims the best housing estates in the country, with trees planted every 20 yards and where tenants are required to keep their gardens trim and pretty.

But thousands of people are still living in houses that were condemned 80 years ago.

It was in Birkenhead that I met tug skipper William Lamey, the man who was responsible for the first link in laying the Pluto oil-line which pumped fuel direct from the tankers at Liverpool to the battle front in France.

William Lamey, also Devon-born, took out two pipe-lines, one three-quarters of a mile long, the second a mile and a quarter long. "It was the most hazardous job I have ever undertaken," he said. "The difficulty was in keeping the line straight. The slightest bend in the line would have ruined the whole scheme."

William Lamey was on board a pilot boat in the Mersey in World War I, when it struck a mine and 40 men lost their lives. He was one of four survivors.

Of all British ports, Liverpool, which was No. 1 port during the war, is the most difficult for pilots and tug men.

River hazards

"The wrecks of ships mined during the war are everywhere," said the tug skipper, "and this cuts down the sea-lanes, particularly if there is a big sea on the river—and the Mersey tide can come in at seven knots."

"For that reason we can never tow a ship with a wire alone. We always use a rope as well as a wire."

Depth charges have been used to clear the wrecks from the entrance of the Mersey, but the difficulty is that only light charges can be used. Heavy charges would affect the foundations of the Mersey Tunnel.

Liverpool tugs are equipped with walkie-talkie apparatus. William Lamey has a walkie-talkie apparatus at his bedside so that he can immediately communicate with one of his tugs at sea.

Tug skipper Lamey rarely gets an undisturbed night's sleep. Neither does Liverpool.

Fireside Echoes--No. 20:

THE TURN OF THE TIDE

The Bank, then operating at Amoy, replied they had no intention of resuming business at Foochow "until the occupation had been firmly established politically and economically." Even the Japanese Consul representative at Amoy felt that "the time still premature to consider reopening at Foochow."

Beyond sending the Naval Medical Officer to Foochow "to clean the place up" (of which he made a thoroughly excellent job), the Japanese Admiral, who had established his headquarters at Pagoda Anchorage, would have no active participation in the occupation except the transport of military personnel and equipment. These sidelights of the occupation of Foochow in 1941 are interesting as showing the Japanese Government's disagreement with their Army's advance South of the Yangtze River.

So the stalemate continued to the middle of August when it was noticed members of the puppet Government and their families were pulling out. By the end of the month the greater part of the occupational personnel and most of the military stores had been withdrawn.

By noon on September 3 1941, Foochow City was in the hands of Chinese Nationalist troops again. The population had been free of all forms of Japanese control for 20-odd days. Now with their return once more to disrupt daily routine there appeared an even more sinister spectre—an underground gestapo whose ramifications netted the innocent with the guilty.

Two drawn-out years were to follow during which many members of the Foreign Community took the opportunity of evacuating. During this period the greater part of the Customs foreign personnel had either been transferred, paid off, or retired, and with their departure Club life practically ceased.

Spring of 1944 saw the turn of the tide and the commencement of herding back the Japanese forces on the mainland of South East Asia and the islands of the South Pacific. By summer the movement was in full swing in South China. The Americans had entered Fukien and established bases up-country by September coinciding with their intensified naval operations off the coast thus catching the retreating Japanese in a dramatic pincer movement, making their enforced use of the Straits of Formosa a veritable death-trap.

Again in panic

Toward the close of that month Foochow was once again in panic in from Southern points with tales of the Japanese Army at their heels. The provincial authorities at the port had little information they were willing to impart to the only consular representative in residence, Acting British Consul C. M. MacLehose.

October dawned and still no definite news was available, though it was known Amoy had been evacuated. It was not till October 4, when the vanguard of the Japanese had appeared at Pagoda Anchorage at dawn, that the position was fully realised.

As the Japanese entered, so the remaining members of the Foreign Community retreated up to Nanjing. The re-occupation of the port was established between 7-9 a.m. Members of

the Roman Catholic Missions remained behind together with a handful of American and British lady missionaries mostly connected with hospitals, blind schools, and orphanages. Dr. J. L. Gutierrez was amongst the little band to stay behind the only Foochow Club Member to do so.

During this second occupation of the port Japanese Gendarmes were quartered in the Foochow Club, the Customs Club, and the Recreation Club. With a Cavalry turned the Stone Church into a dormitory, tethering their horses to the iron-railings bound-

By Wm. M.S.
Brand

ing the property and the trees on a vacant piece of Road Trust property immediately across the road.

This particular piece of land used to be used by the old and defunct Road Trust as a nursery for young chestnut-trees to afforest the hillsides of the Foreign Settlement; but, somehow or other, in the early post-war period this plot and many another parcel of similar land changed hands. The Assembly Hall grounds became a park for mechanised vehicles, with the theatre building itself a Mess Hall. The Masonic Hall was stripped and torn-down and would have been levelled had it not been for two Japanese soldiers atop the roof supervising the demolition meeting with crushed skulls when the roof caved-in.

Walls left standing

After that they left the main walls standing, and the property, severely alone. The Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank's main residence housed the Gendarmes Headquarters for the whole Settlement, and practically every foreign residence became troop billets.

The two Foreign Cemeteries were not deserted during the occupation. The International Cemetery had a couple of marble-crosses broken by soldiers, but this damage was insignificant. Actually the offenders were punished when it became known that several Japanese were interred within the grounds.

The billiard-table cloths in both Clubs were cut away so that the cool slates serve as ideal summer sleeping platforms. Portions of both Club's Libraries were looted and a majority of the books went in part payment of labour engaged to build the air-strip on Nantai Island.

At 9 p.m. on May 17, 1945, the Japanese occupational forces withdrew from Foochow, and from that moment the worst elements of the population commenced an orgy of looting throughout that night. This has been referred to as the Rape of Nantai. Nothing to compare has been known in the whole history of the port.

By midnight few interiors were intact, the majority of the residences resembling giant skeletons. Not content with stripping the houses of every scrap of woodwork or metal, people were busy with pole and basket carting away tiles and bricks. Where all the furnishings disappeared a "re-mains" mystery to this day.

Apart from Dr. Gutierrez, who never left the port, the first Member of the Foochow Club to return

was Kierkegaard on a flying-visit from Nanping, his emergency Postal headquarters during the occupation. Following him came Captain Edward S. Jones, of the United States Army, Lieutenant J. T. Nelson, of the United States Navy, heading their respective parties, all of whom entered the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank's main residence converting it into the Foochow Club. A little while later followed MacLehose and R.C.P. Rouse, the latter for the post of Commissioner of Customs. The third Member to return was Mardas.

Actually it was not till August that it was possible to re-occupy the Foochow Club. Even that could not have been achieved were it not for the whole-hearted generosity of the American visitors, particularly the U.S. Navy personnel, who, also, undertook the task of procuring bar stocks. The following day, Lieutenant Commander Schoettler, USN, and Lieutenant G. N. Amos, USNR, joined as Members and saw to it that more diversified stock was on hand.

UNRRA arrives

February of 1946 witnessed the arrival in port of UNRRA personnel though they by no means filled the vacuum created by the withdrawal of United States Navy personnel some weeks previously. Members of this group included Major J.M. Wilson, eventually in charge of UNRRA's activities in Foochow, Irving A. Adkin, C.A. Cooper, G.D. Jack, and Dr. Robert Pollitzer.

I returned mid-July surprised to find Mardas and myself the only pre-war business members of the community. On July 20th,



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Myrtle says there are three kinds of women—Mrs., Miss and missed.

"It is a very strenuous job on up, but a thrilling one all the while," she says summing same. "She would not have many women miss it." Very strenuous reading, too.

"Baby born in air liner." A flying start.

"A successful man need not be clever if he can make people think he is clever." Well, isn't that clever?

A moustache with wax No longer attracts.

"All married people have fights," explained the husband to the young bridegroom. "Ethel and I had one or two before we both realised I was wrong."

Myrtle thinks a filibuster is a man who breaks in young mares.

People in Washington are saying that the world has had the ice-age and the stone-age, but now we have the espion-age.

Appropos that, it is noticeable that Reds are not keen to get on the banned wagon.

Government spokesman in Canberra says: "We are going to get coal, not just talk about it." Triumph of mined over matter.

PLEASE NOTE

The "Good Morning" column will be suspended for a fortnight, beginning tomorrow, during our contributor's absence from the Colony.

MacLehose departed closing the British Consulate at Foochow, and leaving the whole property rented to UNRRA, part of which they used as offices but mostly to serve as accommodation for their resident personnel and as a hostel for itinerant personnel such as were working on the Foochow-Amoy highway, plague prevention, and so forth. And it was the manner in which this hostel was run that secured the Black Market in the port.

Foochow has always been noted for its abundance of fresh foodstuffs and consequently its cheap living as compared to other Coast-ports. On my return I found servants prepared to work away from that area, with the 1941 basis with the price of daily necessities, fish, meat, poultry, vegetables &c., even lower than what we were paying in 1941.

But here in UNRRA's hostel I found the executive thinking in terms of, and handling, United States currency, and what was worse, that they had placed a third-class Foochow house-boy in complete charge of the catering. Suffice it to say that within 10 months this Mr. Chen who had been out of a job for five years had sufficient means to resign and visit Hong Kong where he opened-up a restaurant of his own.

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SECRET NEGOTIATIONS WITH RUSSIA LIKELY

Big Three meeting's success gives West bargaining advantage MR. LIE'S OPTIMISM

Washington, May 28.

The Secretary of State's deals at the Big Three meeting in London may have cleared the way for secret negotiations with Russia, observers believed today.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, in reports to President Truman personally tomorrow and to a Senate-House session on Wednesday, will also give a first-hand account of North Atlantic alliance decisions.

The fact that both Mr. Truman and Mr. Acheson indicated a sweeping success for the Big Three meeting was interpreted as meaning that the Western powers held an advantage such as Mr. Acheson considers necessary for successful bargaining with Russia.

French attitude awaited

London, May 28.

British officials here are now awaiting a clarification of the French attitude to Britain's proposal to "sit in" on the Franco-German negotiations on the Schuman Plan—without being committed to the principle of the scheme, writes Reuters' diplomatic correspondent.

The effect of the lightning exchanges at the end of last week between Britain and France on the Schuman Plan negotiations has been that Britain, in the light of the known French request to commit the British Government to the principle of the plan, has reaffirmed a decision to remain uncommitted at this stage.

In diplomatic quarters here it is clearly recognised that there is now a well-marked difference between the French and British approach to the problem of German industry.

It is also thought that Britain has no intention at this stage of being committed either to the principle of the plan, or to a position in which it would be impossible to submit counter-proposals or amendments of substance.

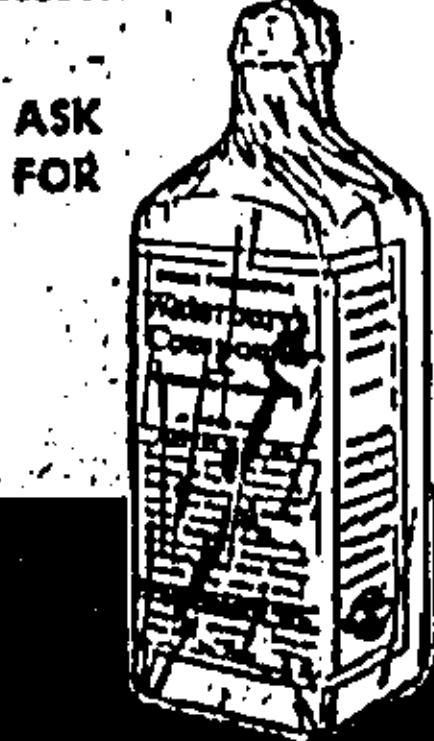
What will not be clear in London until after Whitman when the French Government answers the British note delivered in Paris last night, is how serious the difference between the French and British standpoints will prove to be.

If France refuses Britain's request to attend the Franco-German talks "without being committed in principle," then a serious difficulty will have been placed in the way of Britain eventually joining the industrial merger plan.

On the other hand, if France, in the light of the latest British note, admits the British proposal, diplomatic quarters here are optimistic that the British hesitation which now exists will disappear.—Reuters.

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Mr. Acheson has said repeatedly that effective agreements with the Kremlin can be reached only when Moscow can be confronted with "situations" of strength. The purpose of the London conference was to build up such situations.

Both President Truman and Mr. Acheson are looking forward to talks this week with the United States Secretary General, Dr. Trygve Lie, who recently discussed the cold war with the Russian leader, Josef Stalin, and with the British and French Foreign Ministers.

Mr. Lie said he was frankly optimistic of chances of improving international relations, but the Western Allies have their fingers crossed.

Preliminary talks

Most American diplomatic quarters are agreed that successful cold war bargaining with Russia involves secret preliminary talks of an informal, non-binding nature to make sure there can be some basis for formal agreement. If such a basis can be established, they said, then a formal conference can be easily arranged.

It is not known here whether the Russians would agree to pre-

liminary talks, but they face a far more imposing "action" alliance than before the London sessions. Some of the answers may come when Mr. Lie meets Mr. Acheson and President Truman.

Diplomats here also are considering the possibility that the Soviet Ambassador, Alexander Panyushkin, who is in Russia on leave, may return with special instructions.

The "fringes" of the United Nations—not formal UN meetings but informal get-togethers of states "after hours"—are regarded as the most likely spot for preliminary negotiations. The most likely man for American negotiator probably is the Ambassador-at-Large, Philip Jessup, who is currently without a major assignment. Dr. Jessup did the spade work for the agreement with Russia which ended the Berlin blockade—an agreement that took shape largely in corridors, lounges and private offices at the United Nations.

State Department officials said Dr. Jessup expected to be at the UN for the General Assembly meeting in September and had said he "probably could go earlier if necessary."—United Press.

Depression hits Jap co-operatives

Tokyo, May 29.

Depression has hit many of Japan's agricultural co-operatives—key elements of General Douglas MacArthur's programme for firmly rooting democracy in the paddyfields.

Ironically, the co-ops' plight is partly the result of two occupation measures—the deflationary economic stabilisation programme, and the American incentive goods distribution.

Both SCAP and Japanese sources say the only way off the financial rocks for many of the farm co-ops is more borrowing. But interest rates are high, and the Central Bank of Agriculture and Forestry is officially reported on the verge of going broke.

Already this spring 47 co-ops have reported their inability to meet depositors' demands for cash. More than 120 others have limited deposit withdrawals, and 440 others are planning to restrict deposit withdrawals. Ministry of Agriculture officials believe the situation actually is much worse than these partial reports indicate.

However, the SCAP agriculture chief, Mr. Mark Williamson, said the number of insolvent co-ops is small in comparison with the total of 13,000 authorised to carry on credit functions in Japan's rural villages.

Serious situation

He agreed that the situation is serious in certain areas, but said borrowing of funds by the co-ops to meet the temporary large demands for cash during the planting season, plus pending legislation to require more effective supervision over the co-ops banking functions, should solve the problem.

Mr. Williamson said the co-ops, like many Japanese retailers, were caught with large inventories when prices began dropping. They invested heavily in semi-luxury American "incentive goods" at a time when stores also were coming cluttered with surplus Japanese goods that would not move even at a losing price.

According to latest complete reports to the Japanese government, the co-operatives had on February 1 a total of 132,000 million yen worth of surplus goods. About 27,000 million yen of this was out in loans, 9,000 million on deposits in banks, 52,000 million on deposit with prefectural credit federation, and most of the rest tied up in inventories.—United Press.

U.S. puzzled by Russian move

Washington, May 28.

Diplomatic officials were at a loss today to evaluate Russia's decision to withdraw its delegates to the Allied Council for Japan in Tokyo. They said they were ignorant of any motives the Soviet might have had in replacing Lieutenant-General Kuzma Derevyanko and his top advisers with a number of lesser officials.

The change led to speculation in Tokyo that a major change in Russian occupation policy might be in the making.

Officials attached no particular significance to the fact that the Russian move was made as the U.S. Secretary of Defence, Mr. Louis Johnson, and Mr. John Foster Dulles, Republican State Department consultant on Far Eastern policy, prepared to leave for Japan for conferences with General Douglas MacArthur.

Mr. Johnson and General Omar Bradley, chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, are going to the Far East next month ostensibly to look over American military installations, but they also will discuss the Japanese peace treaty question with MacArthur.

Mr. Dulles, who recently was assigned by the Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, to work on the treaty, will leave about the same time.—United Press.



'Ere, anybody parked a Flying Saucer on the wrong side of the road?'

Labour Gov't switches to policy of decontrols

London, May 28.

The Labour Government has suddenly switched to a policy of decontrols and economic liberalisation since the "hush-hush" meeting of Labour Party chiefs at a country mansion at Dorking, Surrey, last week-end.

In one short week, the Government has derationed nearly all steel, agreed on more convertibility of sterling in Britain's proposals for the European Payments Union, relieved the burden of double taxation on incomes from many overseas countries, given the housewife the right to buy milk from the retailer of her own choice, increased London taxi fares by a third to an economic level and given the motorist all the petrol he wants by reaching an agreement with two American oil companies for increased supplies to be paid for in sterling.

The biggest effect of this new "freedom" has been felt so far by the motorists and the London Stock Exchange.

On Friday evening, just before it closed for the Whitman holiday, the Stock Exchange, elated by the derationing of petrol, gave the technical signal for a new bull market.

The index of British industrial shares edged up to 1104 just before the devaluation boomlet last September. Stock Exchange observers this weekend fancied the chance of a real boom after the holiday.

Anglo-American economic relations have already benefited strikingly.

Britain's proposals for the European Payments Union, and her agreements on oil, are the biggest steps yet taken towards convertibility of sterling.

Policy defended

British officials here were saying today that some American officials on the Continent have in the last few days been stoutly defending Britain's new monetary policy against Continental criticisms.

These criticisms were that a derationing of the Marshall Aid lines proposed by Britain would involve Belgium, Italy and France in some retreat from convertibility.

In fact under the British proposal, Britain's bilateral commitments with the Continental countries would wither away, except for the old sterling balances. All sterling currently earned by the Continental Marshall Aid countries would have as much convertibility as the Union's own clearing units—because otherwise no country would exercise the option to hold sterling instead of the units.

This means some real convertibility as well as full freedom to transfer within Europe any currently earned sterling and other currencies.

How much convertibility? The only real outstanding question for the European Payments Union is how much convertibility, Britain and Scandinavia want little of it, while Belgium, Italy and France want a great deal.

Britain's new monetary policy, in short, is to strengthen sterling by making people want to hold it instead of forcing them to hold it.

It is only superficially that the extra petrol for Britain from American sources will be bought wholly in inconvertible sterling. In at least three ways, it would involve some convertibility into dollars—though not more than Britain can afford and probably less than she will indirectly recoup.

On petrol Britain has gone some way to meet the American case. The mounting supplies should be used to enlarge consumption in the sterling area—and not merely to oust dollar goods to enlarge the currency discriminations against American exporters. This removal of Anglo-American friction may be the biggest result of the derationing.—Reuters.

ROBESON OFF FOR LONDON

New York, May 28.

Paul Robeson, the Negro singer, left by air for London today. He will address a two-day "peace" meeting opening on Wednesday.—Reuters.

Husband thrown out of kitchen window by wife

New York, May 28.

A plump, five-foot three-inch, gray-haired woman admitted "without remorse today that she threw her frail, paralysed husband from a kitchen window five stories to his death."

"I just it, that's all," said Mrs. Anna Bornholdt, aged 58, when asked why she lifted Fred Bornholdt, aged 64, from bed and dropped him out of the window in their Bronx apartment last night.

The magistrate, Rafael Murphy, ordered her held for a hearing on Wednesday on a homicide charge. The police said her helpless husband pleaded with her not to do it, but she said she told him, "I have to."

The couple had been married 20 years. Bornholdt, a waiter, had been bedridden since he suffered a stroke last November. The police said Mrs. Bornholdt apparently broke under the strain of caring for him.—United Press.

WORKERS OCCUPY SHIPYARDS

Naples, May 28.

Nearly 4,000 workers today occupied the Liva shipyards here to prevent a lockout. The management of the shipyards ordered the lockout allegedly to avoid sabotage during a "go slow" strike which began 10 days ago. The strike was called when 150 workers were dismissed for low output. No incidents had been reported by late tonight.—Reuters.

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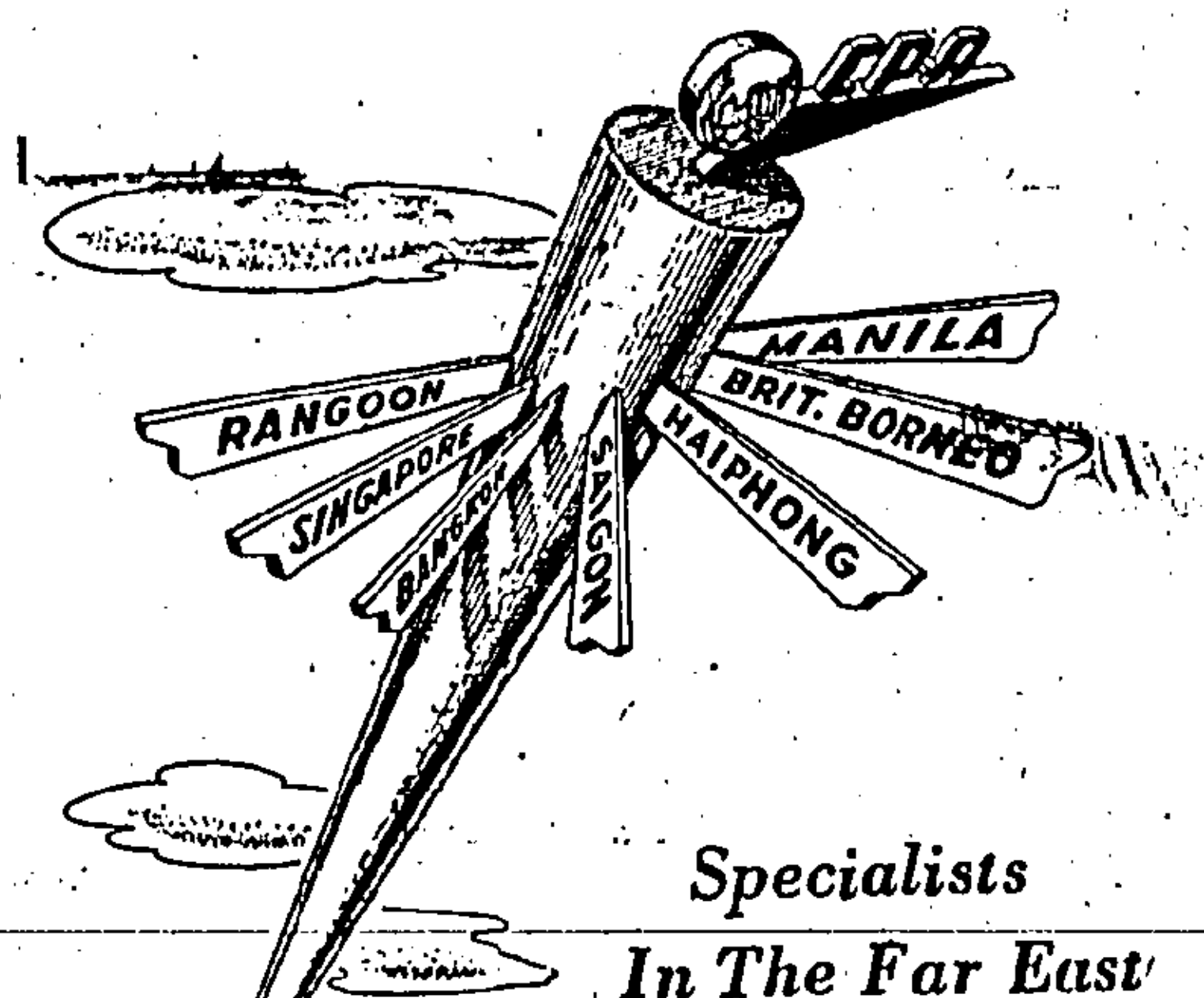
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ALL QUIET IN BERLIN AS COMMUNIST MARCH ENDS WITHOUT INCIDENT

Berlin, May 28.

East Germany's Communist leaders today marched half a million youths through the streets of East Berlin in the mightiest ideological demonstration in Berlin since Hitler. Its theme was "hate the West."

The march lasted nearly eight hours, from 9.15 a.m. German Time, to 5 p.m. It was a peaceful march. The widely heralded Communist "storming of all Berlin" failed to come off.

The borders of Allied occupied West Berlin remained inviolate. They were guarded by 13,000 German police with about 10,000 Allied occupation troops confined to barracks on the alert to back them up in case of trouble.

Hour after hour, through pouring rain and intermittent sunshine, the youths marched in miles-long columns of blue.

They marched down the famed Unter Den Linden—where once marched the victorious army legions of Hitler and the youngsters of the Hitler Jugend.

Today the banners were the red flag of Communism and the blue and gold of the Communist controlled Free German Youth, the FDJ.

The men in the reviewing stand were the Communist rulers of Soviet Eastern Germany, the representatives of the Russian occupation power and "friends" from the Soviet satellite countries.

The cries were "Long Live Stalin," "Long Live President Pieck" and "Long Live Our Friend, the Soviet Union."

The Whiteluthe parade started in a driving rain and was halted by periodic heavy showers.

Most of the marchers were young people aged six to 14—were seen scrambling for dry places.

But the march went on relentlessly and disciplined with almost Prussian precision, hour after hour.

Some non-Communist Germans watching from the kiosks muttered that the whole spectacle was "frightening—Germans marching again."

Police contingent
But most frightening to many Germans as well as Westerners in the crowd—were formations of about 10,000 East German "People's Policemen" who joined the parade.

These forces—who the Western powers have formally branded as a "Red Army" and "sponsored East German Army"—looked every bit the part.

Booted and uniformed in blue-black, these grim faced men marched with Prussian discipline. They were carrying no weapons but had field kits slung at their belts.

Thus, only five days after the U.S., Britain and France had formally demanded from Moscow the dissolution of these forces, the East German Communists defiantly paraded them for the world to see.

The Youth Marchers—even the mere kid "Pioneers"—were disciplined, too, under expert drill masters. They sang, chanted anti-West slogans and raised their arms in salutes to the

portraits of Stalin and the real life figures of East Germany's Communist leaders.

The youngsters were fed inflammatory "hate the West" propaganda every inch of their miles long march.

Parade banners and placards condemned "Anglo-American imperialism" and cartooned President Harry Truman, Mr. Winston Churchill and others branded as "capitalist war mongers."

Drilled automatons

In the march past the youngsters often performed like drilled automatons. If they broke discipline in the

march, they were quickly brought to order by stern drill masters. It was only when they got away from these masters at the parade's end that they ran about, clambering

over rubble and ruins and acted like country kids on an excursion to the big city.

But there were heavy guards on both sides of the sector borders.

The police forces of both sides were on the alert to prevent clashes.

By late afternoon no violence had been reported—even in such traditionally trouble spots as the Potsdamer Platz. Heavy police

patrols, however, were assigned to remain at such places throughout the night.

Special precautions are also to be maintained through Tuesday, when the weeklong FDJ convention is to be finished.

As a crowd attraction, the big parade—climax of the FDJ's rally—was no sensation. Crowds were thin along much of the parade route. At most places

cheering was sparse. Communist May Day demonstrations in Berlin have gathered larger

crowds.

West Berliners were free to go into the Russian sector to see the parade. Many did walk over, but tens of thousands more

stayed in their own sector of the city to visit Berlin's first post-war car show, sports events or the new American and British

films.

Even as the parade was moving, desertions from Communist ranks continued. West Berlin authorities reported that during the day three more "People's Policemen" had come over begging asylum. This brought to 38 the number who have fled the Communist controlled force since the FDJ rally began.

The peaceful passing of the big Communist demonstration

without a "storming" of West Berlin brought claims of victory from West German spokesmen.

West Berlin's Mayor, Ernst Reuter, declared that "Whitsunday has demonstrated that our peaceful determination, together with the support we received from the Allies, has resulted in a complete failure of Communist dreams to overrun Berlin."

He warned, however, that the struggle against Communism is not yet at an end.

Reuter made his comments in a telegram to Rear Admiral Richard Byrd of the International Rescue Committee in New York which was made public tonight.

Another victory statement came from Jacob Kaiser, Minister for All German Problems in the West German Government, who came to Berlin for Whitsun.

Kaiser said, "I am convinced that these Whitsun days will be recorded in history. I am also convinced that the other side intended to conquer Berlin. This intention has been frustrated by the bravery of men and women in this city."

Intention frustrated
Kaiser denounced the Communists for "misusing German children and juveniles in this depressing demonstration."

At 7 p.m. GMT tonight, three hours after the big parade ended—both East and West Berlin police reported all quiet.

Russian sector police said they had no disorders to report all day.

West Berlin police reported only one minor incident involving Communist youths on a trolley car which traverses a street bisected by the American and Russian sector borders.

On this trolley the motorman denounced a West Berlin newspaper vendor to the Communist run People's police.

A group of Communist youths pounced on the man and beat him up. A West Berlin policeman stopped the car and attempted to arrest the motorman but the driver sped for the Russian sector. He was stopped when the policeman pulled his gun and took him captive to the station.—Associated Press.

French re-take Vietnam town

Paris, May 28.

French paratroopers, with fighter plane support, last night recaptured the post of Dong Khe, in the frontier region of Northern Vietnam, from Vietminh (Indo-Chinese guerrillas) who occupied it on Friday night, according to a Saigon communiqué reported by Agence France Presse today.

The insurgents armed with artillery and other heavy weapons, attacked the French-held post on Thursday, the communiqué said. They took it over on Friday night when the garrison withdrew after destroying the material they had left behind.

Earlier the French High Command said that detailed information was not yet available, but French troops were holding the post and "controlling the situation."

According to earlier unconfirmed reports reaching Saigon from different sources, the battle ended with a large number of attacking Vietminh troops being forced out of their positions by French reinforcements.—Reuter.

SAMMY LIKES IT.



An unidentified member of the Australian Antarctic expedition feeds a grey elephant seal on windwept Heard Island, 1400 miles South of Tasmania. The 14 men of the party, studying weather conditions in the Antarctic Belt, have been on the island for 14 months. This picture was made recently when a supply ship arrived.—AP Photo.

BIGGEST PASSENGER AIRLIFT WINDS UP

Tel Aviv, May 29.

The biggest passenger air lift in aviation history is being wound up.

The "Magic Carpet" has been in operation since November, 1948, and has brought 38,000 Jews from the kingdom of Yemen in Arabia to Israel.

The Jewish Agency here told the United Press that about 4,000 more Yemenites still wait to come, of these, 2,000 are in the Hashid Camp in Aden, bordering Yemen, and about 2,000 are in Yemen itself.

Reports that the total number of Yemenite Jews would reach 60,000 were termed ridiculous by the Agency official who negotiated with the Yemenite Imam for their release.

"The most optimistic number is 45,000 but even that is improbable," he said.

The cost of transporting and entering for the Yemenites at the camp in Aden has almost reached \$5,500,000. Most of this money was donated by Americans through the United Jewish Appeal.

The transport in six Skymaster planes and the camp in Aden with its large medical staff is under the supervision of the American Joint Distribution Committee.

The overall planning has been done by the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency, executive arm of the World Zionist Organisation.

An Agency immigration official said "The airlift will continue until the last Jew is out of the Yemen."

It is not known how long it will take all of the Yemenites to leave the country.

Trek on foot

Before reaching the British protectorate of Aden they trek on foot or on donkeys for several weeks; sometimes the trip lasts two months. As they pass through the territories of various Sultans in the Yemen's hinterland, they are taxed arbitrarily before they are permitted to pass on.

Often they reach the JDC's Hashid camp in Aden with nothing but the clothing they wear and holy scrolls of the Law and religious books. They surrender all their possessions except their books.

Most of them have no education except religious training. Many, on reaching Aden, thought they were already in Israel.

When they first see the planes that take them to Israel, they are firmly convinced that the Messiah has come.

They point to the Bible, Exodus 19: 4: "Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you unto myself."

Or to Isaiah, 40: 31: "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles."

"We've been waiting 3,000 years now," they say. "Our eagles have come."

"The Yemenites were unaccustomed to the metal ladders so we had to build wooden ramps with shallow steps so they could go aboard," says Robert Maguire, an ex-U.S. Air Force test pilot, who as President of the Near East Airlines and its chief pilot has engineered the airlift. He has flown more than 50 missions.

Plush seats refused

"We installed benches—after they had refused to use the plush seats. They prefer to squat on the benches or on the floor of the plane," said Maguire.

The airlift was conducted in two stages.

The first began in November, 1948, when as a result of anti-Jewish pogroms in Yemen 4,000 Jews by devious means reached Aden. These were transferred to Israel by the end of March, 1949.

With about another 40,000 left in Yemen, the Jewish Agency negotiated with Sultan Audi who owns the airfield of Mukhris which serves as the bridgehead for the immigration.

The mass exit from Yemen—the second stage of the airlift—began in May, 1949. It hit its peak in October, 1949, when 11,702 were brought out.

The head taxes paid to various Sultans en route do not exceed US\$40 a person. The Agency denies emphatically that ransom money has been paid by anyone.

The Yemenites are allowed to bring with them only what they can carry on a few donkeys. Immovable property is confiscated by the Yemen Government.

Of the immigrants still in Israel's camps, 38 per cent are Yemenites.

About 8,000 have already left the camps and have begun life on the land in agriculture. They are members of 18 communal settlements.

Camp officials have found them able to adjust to their new life very quickly. They learn with amazing rapidity how to use knives and forks and keep their new shoes on their feet. Unlike other immigrants from backward countries who show a dislike for boots.

In the Yemen they were expert craftsmen and worked mainly with jewellery.

In Israel they are needed in agriculture and are being trained successfully to hoe the land.—United Press.

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Economic co-operation discussed at Baguio

Manila, May 28.

The Economic Committee of the Baguio Conference has discussed the possibilities of increasing economic co-operation among the seven non-Communist Asian and Pacific nations now in session in the Philippines, it was stated today.

The Foreign Secretary of the Philippines, General Carlos Romulo, said that the aim was "eventually to realise a balanced development and ensure their peoples a rising living standard."

General Romulo, who is Chairman of the Conference, said that the Committee had discussed the need for expanding intra-regional trade in every possible way, including bilateral agreements consistent with existing international commitments.

Taking part in the Conference are the Philippines, Australia, India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Indonesia and Thailand.

The Committee further discussed the need for continuing to consider establishing a multilateral clearing arrangement when conditions were ripe for such a step.

General Romulo said that the delegates on the Committee had affirmed the desirability of primary producers receiving a fair price for their exports and discussed what steps could be taken to ensure this.

The Committee also stressed the importance of intensifying each country's efforts to increase agricultural and industrial productivity and the desirability of increasing the inter-change of basic technical knowledge among themselves, as well as taking advantage of the assistance along similar lines extended by countries outside their region and by international organisations.

General Romulo stated, that some delegates, on the opening day of the Conference, May 20—had expressed concern that countries in this region had not received their just share of help from the United Nations and its agencies.

He added that the Conference was to adjourn on May 30 after the closing plenary session.

Three meetings

The Economic Committee—of which the Indian delegation leader, Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar, was Chairman—had held three meetings and completed its work today.

Dr. Ali Soebardjo, Indonesia's chief delegate at the Baguio Conference, told Reuter today that his delegation would take back a new perspective on South East Asia and a stronger appreciation of the urgent need for close co-operation between neighbours.

Dr. Soebardjo said he was glad to have had the opportunity of visiting the Philippines "especially at a time when the Asian nations were awakening to the fact that there is enough material in our continent—spiritually and culturally—to fashion a way of life in keeping with our own particular ideas of peace and progress."

Dr. Soebardjo said: "Assuredly there is much we share in common. Each passing day makes me more aware of the striking similarities that exist between Indonesia and the Philippines—geographically and racially."

Referring to the Baguio Conference, he said: "This is the kind of progress Asia needs if it is to forge ahead."—Reuter.

Segregation bill in S. Africa hit

Durban, May 28.

Africans and Indians passed a resolution here today describing the "Group Areas" Bill and the "Unlawful Organisations" Bill as a direct attack on the remaining vestiges of the liberties of all South Africans.

"It is a sinister design to imprison the entire non-white population in separate racial ghettos and locations where they will be reduced to the status of poverty-stricken labourers and serfs," it said.

"These measures are the last step in a master plan to establish a Fascist police-state in the country wherein an overwhelming majority of the people, both white and non-white, will be subjected to the tyranny of Gestapo rule."

The "Group Areas" Bill seeks to define areas where the ownership and occupation of land and property shall be restricted to racial groups.

Union Government spokesmen have described the "Unlawful Organisations" Bill as a move to outlaw the Communist Party's National Congress, the African People's Organisation—representing people of mixed descent—the Communist Party, the African National Congress of Youth League and the African Women's Association.

Day of protest

Support was given to the decision of the African National Congress to observe a national day of protest when all will be called upon to refrain from going to work as a tangible demonstration of the people's opposition to the oppressive policy of the Government.

Dr. J. S. Moroka, President of the African National Congress, said that the time had arrived for non-white people to unite for their salvation.

He assured Indians and coloureds that African nationalism was not opposed to them.

The crowd at the meeting, which was held in a public square, listened to a recorded speech by Dr. Yusuf Dadoo, President of the Transvaal Indian Congress, who had been banned by the Government from speaking at public meetings.

The South African Indian Congress today called upon the United Nations to outlaw the South African Government.

A statement issued by the President, Dr. G. M. Naicker, said that the Congress believed that the policy of the Malan Government was "a serious challenge to world peace."

In the Union, it said, conditions were rapidly being created which would result in the same global problem that Hitler created with his Nazi regime in Germany.

"It is therefore the duty of the United Nations, which has repeatedly condemned the racial policies of the Union Government, to outlaw the Malan Government

from the family of democratic nations."

In Capetown, two joint Committees appointed to investigate South Africa's "Asiatic" problem declared in a joint report published here that there was no doubt that the best solution would be repatriation.

The Committees—appointed from the Transvaal and Natal, by the Minister of the Interior, Dr. T. E. Dönges, to make recommendations for amendments to the Union's Asiatic land tenure laws—added that "failing or pending repatriation of Asiatics," the present situation had to be dealt with incisively if civil commotion arising from racial tension and strife were to be avoided.

"We can see no way of attaining this end except to legislate for total segregation of the different racial groups, so that in the course of time homogeneous racial group areas are brought about," they said.

Submitted to Parliament

The joint report was submitted to Parliament some weeks ago, but has been made public only now. Nearly all its recommendations have been used to form the basis of the Government's Group Areas Bill, introduced by Dr. Dönges five weeks ago and now before the House.

The Committees said, "These recommendations will, on the one hand, not unduly endanger the possibility of repatriation, and, on the other hand, will not fall far short of what we regard as necessary to deal with the present situation."

But whereas the Committees recommend the compulsory segregation of four main racial groups—white, native, coloured and Indian—the drafters of the Bill have provided for only three—"White, native and coloured."

Indians are provided for in a sub-group under coloured.

Similarly, the Bill provides sub-groups under native "so as to separate tribes where necessary in the interests of peace, as some African tribes refuse to mix socially with others, and often resort to faction fighting if brought together."

The joint report recommended that for each group there should be established areas in which its members would be qualified and own immovable property. This proposal has been used as the basis of the Bill.—Reuter.

The last pictures of Hitler?



To the mass of literature and illustrations built around the last days of Adolf Hitler, a German magazine has added what it claims to be the last pictures of the Führer before his death in the bunkers of the Reich Chancellery Berlin in April, 1945. In its caption, the Berlin magazine "The Illustrated Telegraph" makes the claim: "These are the last pictures from the Reich Chancellery as Adolf Hitler takes a final look at the consequences of his total war. It is about April 20, 1945. In the air the incessant noise of planes. The first Russian shells strike the ruined building. During a pause in the battle and between air raids, the founder of 'The Thousand Year Reich' comes out of his bunkers with his Adjutant, S.S. Obergruppenführer Julius Schaub, and gazes distractedly at the destruction from which no escape is possible. A representative of Hitler's personal photographer, Heinrich Hoffman, took both pictures shown here. They are the last pictures of Adolf Hitler."—AP Photos.



Newspaper on church policies

London, May 28.

Opposition by high Church dignitaries who fear a drift away from Rome has led to a five-year postponement by the Church of England of its attempt to reach a common front with the Church of South India, the Independent Sunday newspaper, the "Observer," stated today.

According to the "Observer," the unification of a million Christians in South India has faced the Anglican Church in Britain with the theoretical problem that the Church of South India is now neither Episcopal nor non-Episcopal.

"In dealing with this subject, the Church of England is hampered by those who fear that any attempt to enter into relations with a church of such a broad character would lead to a betrayal of the Anglican tradition, and to a lessening of their prospects of an eventual liaison with Rome," the "Observer" commented.

It added: "We believe that a majority of the lay members of the Church of England would, if consulted, choose to emphasise their Protestantism and move towards an eventual union with the Free Churches (of Britain) even at the cost of causing some theological discomfort to the higher High Churchmen."—Reuter.

Burma talks with Peking

Calcutta, May 28.

The Burmese Prime Minister, Thakin Nu, said here today that his Coalition Government was negotiating with the Peking Government for the establishment of diplomatic relations and the exchange of Ambassadors between the two countries.

Thakin Nu, who arrived here today on a two-day visit on his way back to Rangoon from London, added that Burma was also carrying on exploratory talks with Soviet Russia and other East European countries for the same purpose.

Addressing Press representatives, the Burmese Prime Minister stated that although Burma had left the Commonwealth, relations between Burma and these countries—especially Britain—were "very friendly and cordial."

Earlier he expressed the hope of bringing peace to Burma by the target date of July 19 this year.—Reuter.

Poppies to bloom next month

Teheran, May 28.

Next month the poppies of living death bloom white in Persian fields.

Just before the petals fall, peasants in picturesque costume rip the pod. Overnight the pod exudes sap. It is collected.

The result: opium—"living death" in the colourful Chinese phrase.

Each year's crop is good news to medicine makers in America and Europe. From opium they derive pain-easing morphine and codeine.

For narcotics men it is a new headache. Perhaps half of Persia's annual production of from 1,000 to 1,500 tons of opium slips into illegal channels. It ends up in the pipes of addicts in sickly-sweet smelling dens from San Francisco to Singapore.

Persia, or Iran, is a great opium producing nation, along with Turkey and Yugoslavia. But a reporter trying to investigate the opium trade finds himself frustrated by contradictory official figures and the tight-lipped silence of illegal traders.

Iranian officials say the government controls the opium business. They proudly claim the entire production of the peasants estimated at 10,000 hectares of opium is purchased at rates 40 per cent above market prices. It is processed by government installations and sold abroad for about \$1,100 a cuse to be used medicinally.

Each case contains 100 one-pound sticks.

Figures vary

Export figures vary with the official source. One official said 1949 exports were 3,000 cases. The U.S. took 500 cases. Private American traders have been negotiating for another 1,500 cases.

The government nets more than \$5,000,000 from its opium "monopoly."

That is the official picture.

From other sources a reporter is told that only about half of the opium crop ever reaches the government. Production is definitely more than 1,000 metric tons. Over 10 years the government collected only an average of 379 metric tons.

But these sources say 2,000,000 of Iran's 10,000,000 inhabitants smoke opium. They say addiction is a contributory factor in 100,000 deaths annually. They blame it for the sky-high suicide rate.

Through secret channels a considerable amount of opium is smuggled abroad to international rings, these sources claim.

While the reporter encounters a dead-end here in trying to uncover details, at the other end of the line it is easier. In Bangkok, Phnom Penh and other centres in the Far East where opium smoking flourishes openly, it is no secret some supplies are smuggled in from Persia.

Officially, Iran strongly supports plans for international control of the opium trade. Privately, most Persians feel there is too much money involved for Iran ever to control it effectively.—Associated Press.

Dignity of labour in America

Boston, May 28.

The Begum Liaquat Ali Khan said here that her main impression of her American tour was the conception of the great dignity of labour of the American people.

She was broadcasting in Urdu to Pakistan over the "Voice of America" Radio and said that she had been particularly impressed by the great progress made by American women who took an important part in every aspect of American affairs.

"Many Americans were apt to believe that because the vast majority of women of Pakistan had not the benefits of education, they did not take any active part in their country's life."

"When I spoke to them about the remarkable work of Pakistan women during the refugee problem, during the last 30 months in general, they were greatly surprised and impressed," she said.

During her 25 days' coast to coast tour of the United States, she had visited many social, medical, political and feminist institutions.

She added that the experience she had gained could be of great help to her in her work for the women of Pakistan.—Reuter.

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with the wearer's eyes. Small windshield wipers are for use
when smog gets too dense. A pencil sharpener also is avail-
able (centre), for preparedness when writing nasty notes to
city's Smog Prevention Council. The glasses are gifts to guests
of the Country Club Hotel, Hollywood.—AP Photo.

Reds to concentrate on Asia, Poles say

(Editor's Note: Daniel De Luce, Associated Press Pulitzer
Prize winning roving reporter, has just returned to his post in
Berlin after a visit behind the Iron Curtain in Poland.)

Warsaw, May 29.

Some Poles within earshot of Moscow assert that
this is Soviet planning for the next decade:
1—Defensive consolidation in Eastern Europe.
2—Dynamic expansion of influence in Asia.

Except for the fog of cold war, in which feints are
confused with real centres of attack, the
Kremlin's purposes would be in plain view,
sources here claim.

The say the Russians have
more to fear than the Western
powers from a shooting scrape in
Europe. It is Asia that is a soft
touch, not the Rhine—with others
to do the fighting, not the Soviet
Army.

They make this comparison of
power:

American guns face Soviet
frontiers in Germany and Aus-
tria. But where are they on the
Asia mainland?

A hard-boiled Communist is
his own boss in Yugoslavia. In
the Far East?

Marshall plan billions continue
to pour into Western Europe,
stronger industrially than ever in
history. Where is the effective
help for weak Saigon or Bangkok
or Rangoon?

Poles say that really all they
know is what they read in the
papers—in "Pravda" and "Izves-
tia".

They point to Soviet happiness
and hope mirrored in the press
over Oriental revolutionaries
sweeping away one fragile
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Soviet anxiety is expressed
there at the cold steel power of
Western Europe under U.S.
leadership.

Except by fighting

From Yugoslav bayonets on
the Danube to Norway's Arctic
patrols, there is no way for the
Soviet Union to advance West
on the continent except by
fighting.

No country in Europe has gone
Communist outside the area of
the Soviet Army's deployment.
None of the new Communist
states is free from Soviet sus-
picion.

The following is the substance
of what I have heard in a week
in Poland on a visa granted by
the Foreign Ministry to encourage
interest in a trade fair:

"You Westerners do not see
further than the end of your
nose. You seem oblivious to the
inner stresses and strains in our
Eastern bloc.

"There are nationalistic ten-
dencies in anybody for his own
country. Instead of adjusting to
this human fact, the Kremlin
treats us as the most criminal
heretics.

"The rigid attitude makes the
Soviet bloc very brittle. The
way Yugoslavia broke off is an
example. Rajk was hanged in
Hungary. The Czech Communist
party is in for a big purge. We
have had no Polish heads rolling,
but it is not yet nightfall.

"You are afraid the Soviet
Army will embarrass you by with-
drawing from East Germany.
Foolishness. It is there to stay—as
long, or longer than the last
American soldier in the West.

"You let the Russians hoax
you with talk of German unity.
They fear it.

"What would Poland be like if
we were not completely encircled
by Soviet military forces.

"Ask yourself whether Rokos-
sovsky came here as Commander
in Chief because the Kremlin was
so confident of Poland.

Industrial potential

"Try to find the war indus-
trial potential in the bloc. An-
other five years, all these coun-
tries combined may barely
equal West Germany's arti-
ficially limited steel output today.

"We are amazed by Marshal
Tito. We think his independence
is worth more to the safety of
Europe than 100 new Western
divisions. The Russians thought
an internal revolt would finish
him. They waited too long.

"The way you treat Marshal
Tito is the way you would treat
us. We are watching.

"You underestimate your
strength in Europe. You are blind
to your weakness in Asia. Rus-
sia is winning there without
having to fire a shot.

"It is bad enough to peg our
living standard to the Russians.
Wait until it is equalled with
Chinese goods."—Associated Press.

SHELL OF ISOLATION FOR RED SATELLITES

London, May 29.

Russia's satellites are wrapping themselves in a thickening shell of isola-
tion.

It is perhaps the final stage
of solidifying the Communist
hold on Poland, Czechoslovakia,
Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria. In
carrying out this withdrawal,
they are following in the foot-
steps of Soviet Russia where the
same trend began in the 1930's.

The five satellites, excluding
Yugoslavia, the black sheep,
cover an area in Eastern Europe
stretching over 340,000 square
miles from the Baltic Sea in the
North to the Black Sea in the
South. More than 68 millions,
working folk, live there.

Western diplomats, watching
the newest edition of Communism
at work, sum up the develop-
ments in Western Europe as follows:

The aim of the Communist
leaders in general is to blind
their peoples to the West, and
thus direct them into the narrow
channel of Communism. At the
same time, they are sealing off
their countries to all inquisitive
eyes, particularly in the West.

The method is simple:
Measures are enforced to
choke off all independent, incom-
ing information. The result is
a carefully capsule Communist
version of the world for home
consumption.

Communist picture

The other side of the pattern
is to toss out Western corres-
pondents and refuse others en-
try until the point is reached

where the only news in the
world at large comes through
carefully screened official
handouts and broadcasts
studded with propaganda. The
net result is a Communist pic-
ture of the promised land.

Simultaneously, a war of at-
trition is being waged against
Western legation. Western di-
plomatic staffs gradually are be-
ing whittled down to a minimum
by systematic requests for the
withdrawal of diplomats, usually
because their names have been
mentioned in "spy trials." This
reduces further the chances of
the West properly to study and
interpret the economic, political
and military developments in the
satellite countries.

To give the darkening process
a face of legal justification, the
Western diplomats continued, the
Iron Curtain countries are con-
ducting a series of espionage and
treason trials.

What was once a normal di-
plomatic and news gathering
function has come to be regarded
in Eastern Europe as a form of
spying.

"You are a spy now if you say
the crops are not too good",
one diplomat commented.

"These trials actually serve
the purpose of reducing their
peoples to a pathological state of
spy mania, making it clear that
they are to have no contact of
any kind with peoples of the

West or their representatives if
they wish to save their skins."

The Eastern satellites also are
beginning to follow Russia's
example in limiting the move-
ments of diplomats still ac-
credited to their capitals.

Out of bounds

A diplomat in Moscow, for
example, may not go outside a
30-mile area of the capital
without special permission.

Places such as Minsk and Kiev,
capitals of Byelo-Russia and
the Ukraine, which are mem-
bers of the United Nations, are
out of bounds.

Rumania and Bulgaria have
already adopted the same policy
in controlling the movements of
diplomats in their countries.

The West has not taken similar
counter-measures. The British
Foreign Office, however, has an-
nounced that it has such steps
under consideration.

But the West has countered
each expulsion of a diplomat and
each closing down of an official
information office with a tit-for-
tat stroke.

Poland has stopped the im-
portation of British books on
scientific, religious economic and
political subjects, a British source
said. Last year, books worth
\$14,000 were sent into Poland
by Britain.

"What all this boils down to,"
Western officials conclude, "is
that they are afraid of any al-

Judith Coplon marries

Now York, May 28.

The convicted spy, Judith
Coplon, was married today to
a Brooklyn lawyer who hopes
to free her from her minimum
prison sentence of 18 and one-
third years and live a "happy,
normal, average married life".

"This is just the most wonder-
ful day in my life," said the tiny,
29-year-old former government
employee happily.

Attired in an ankle-length
gown of deep rose organza, she
married Albert H. Sokolov, also
29, in her mother's home in
Brooklyn. About 50 members of
their families and close friends
were present for the orthodox
Jewish wedding. As part of the
ritual, the groom stepped on a
wine glass. He shattered it on the
first attempt which, according to
Hebrew tradition, means the
marriage will be blessed with
good luck.

At the end of the religious
ceremony, Sokolov took the bride
in his arms, said,
and kissed her. All the women
guests were in tears.—United
Press.

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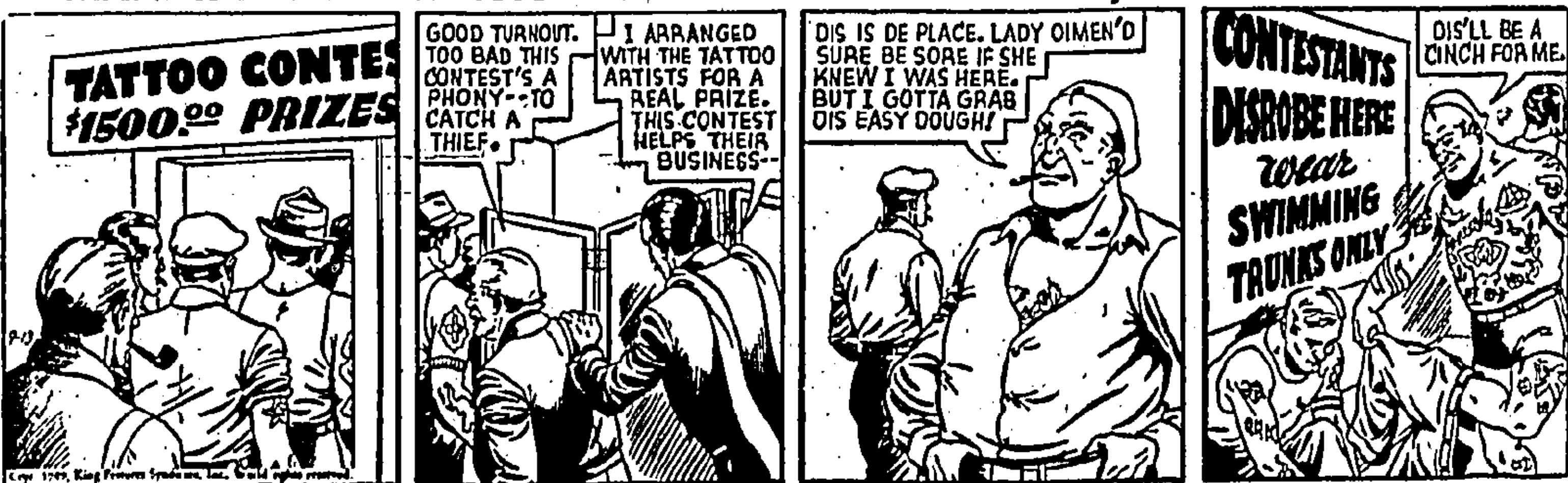
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FOREIGN FINANCE FOR BACKWARD REGIONS AIRED BY UN COMMITTEE

Industry and the Pound

By NORMAN CRUMP

Slowly but surely the effects of devaluation are becoming apparent.

The wholesale price index, which stood at 225.4 last August, has now risen to 249.8 for April, this being an increase of 10.8 per cent. The rise in retail prices has so far been much less marked, for last August's index was 111, while the latest index is 114. Here the increase is less than 3 per cent. One cause of this disparity is that, now that the buyer rather than the seller rules the roost, manufacturers cannot always pass on to their customers the whole of any increase in their raw material costs.

Sales and earnings

Evidence of this last factor is found in the 1949 accounts of two groups, which between them cover a very large part of the industrial field.

These groups are Imperial Chemical Industries and Dunlop Rubber. In both cases sales for the year 1949 were better in value than those for 1948, but in both cases earnings from trading show a decline.

Imperial Chemical Industries' manufacturing and trading profits fell from £29.2 million in 1948 to £25.3 million in 1949, or by 13.3 per cent.

The drop in Dunlop's trading profit was from £10.7 to £9.4 million, equivalent to 12.2 per cent. These two percentages are so near together as to suggest that they have a common cause.

This is confirmed by the reports of both groups. The I.C.I. report alludes to the 40 per cent increase in the sterling prices of metals, which followed devaluation. It also generally predicts that devaluation "will probably result in a substantial increase in the annual cost of the company's raw materials."

Apart from the effect on selling prices, this "will increase the working capital required for the same volume of business." The Dunlop group ascribes the decline in its trading profits to "the reduced margins on which we have been operating in 1949." Sales were well maintained and turnover in value again increased, but did not, particularly in the latter part of the year, offset this rise in component prices.

It is the position in a nutshell. During the earlier part of 1949 world trade was inclined to sag and prices tended to fall. In the early autumn of 1949 came devaluation, together with a revival in American business. Britain's world trade in consequence was given something of an impetus, but simultaneously the sterling prices of those raw materials which sell freely in the United States rose to nearly the full extent of devaluation.

British exporters, however, are far from having it all their own way. They are meeting with growing competition in many parts of the world, and are also hampered by import and exchange restrictions now imposed by many countries overseas.

The next point in these accounts is that part of this decline falls on the Exchequer and not on the shareholders. This is the inevitable consequence of the present high rate of taxation of company earnings.

In the case of I.C.I., net income before taxation fell between 1948 and 1949 from £23.0 to £17.3 million, but the amount required for taxation fell from £2.1 to £1.5 million. Therefore net profit after taxation and certain minor provisions fell only from £20.9 to £15.8 million.

The Dunlop figures revealed the same tax cushion. Net profit before taxation fell from £8.1 to £7.1 million, but tax requirements were reduced from £2.3 to £1.8 million. Thus the first £2.3 million fell only from £5.8 to £5.3 million.

Tax deterrent

These figures do not tell the whole tax story. Both groups evidently lost out from the recent increase in relief in respect of initial allowances. This relief, however, does not mean a remission of taxation but only a deferment. Therefore, each group has made a special appropriation from its final profits for the purpose of creating a reserve out of which to meet the increased liability. This is a process which should be generally followed.

Lake Success, May 28.

Foreign finance for backward areas should be used not only for industrial and commercial projects but such relatively less productive enterprises as improving health, sanitation, transport and communications, a United Nations Sub-Commission declared today.

In its report to the Economic and Social Council, the Sub-Commission on Economic Development cited these slow yielding but high cost socio-economic projects as examples of the problem and challenge of economic development.

The Sub-Commission, under the Presidency of Mr. V. K. Rao, of India, made a series of practical proposals for using "Point Four" aid and other methods of financing the development of backward areas.

In its section on long-term socio-economic projects, the report declared: "Any substantial acceleration, even of admittedly sound projects, will depend in considerable measure on the extent to which the prerequisite base of 'social and economic overhead' is created and broadened in the under-developed countries."

The report said that these long-term projects should be financed so as to impose only a nominal burden of annual payments. It noted that this would require foreign loans with longer maturities and lower interest rates than those available from existing sources.

The Sub-Commission rejected Mr. Rao's proposal for the creation of a United Nations economic development administration now. But it urged prompt consideration of the low cost, long-term financing by the industrial countries, and especially those in a position to contribute substantial financial resources to such an organisation.

Element of grant

The report urged the Economic and Social Council to discuss the possibility of obtaining international funds "on a basis which may contain an element of grant."

Emphasising the primary role of domestic effort, it urged the under-developed countries themselves, as well as capital exporting countries, to promote a quicker flow of private investment for economic development.

The Sub-Commission dwelt at length on backward countries' difficulties in accepting unconditional guarantees of transfers of earnings to private foreign investors. It recommended that the International Monetary Fund and other interested agencies should study this whole subject in terms of the practical conditions under which such guarantees could be made effective.

In an exhaustive study of the sources of foreign financing, the Sub-Commission assigned the primary role to the International

Denazification programme fails

New York, May 28.

Brigadier-General Telford Taylor, former Chief of Council for the Nuremberg war crimes trials who has now returned to the United States, said today that he believed the denazification programme in Western Germany has been the most unfortunate failure in most of its aspects.

As a guest on Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt's television programme, General Taylor said: "I think it is important to realise that denazification hasn't been a process which has radically changed the underlying frame of mind in Germany."

He added, however, "I don't go along with some people who want to start up and do the whole thing over again."

General Taylor said he considered the proposal for Franco-German steel unification as "both a great opportunity and risk and he would favour taking the risk of saving Germany and Europe, and indeed, Europe, the impression that we want German support and German favour at all costs."

Mrs. Roosevelt agrees

Mrs. Roosevelt and General Taylor agreed with General Taylor that denazification had not been as well accomplished as it should be. "Denazification has not been as well accomplished as it should be," Mrs. Roosevelt said. "But people have to live and I think now we must go on from here."

Mr. Javits called for a new educational programme to give Germany "ideas which she did not have in all the years under Hitler, when there was really no war curtain on Germany."

General Taylor also opposed rearmament of Germany on two counts. 1. Western Europe lacked an economic basis that is powerful enough to support rearmament. 2. "As a political matter, I think it is better to take this time and to work on the economic basis and to build up the economic structure of Germany."

World rice harvest declines

Washington, May 28.

The Agriculture Department reported today that the world rice harvest for 1949-50 was estimated at 334,000,000,000 pounds of rough rice, three per cent less than the post-war high of 343,000,000,000 pounds harvested in the preceding season.

The Department said that most of the decline occurred in Asia with a moderate decrease in Africa. Record crops were harvested in Europe, North Africa and South Africa.

It said that Asia's rough rice harvest representing 92 per cent of the world total is estimated at 308,000,000,000 pounds or about 10,000,000 pounds less than the preceding year.

China's crop was the smallest in many years while rebel activities in Burma and Indo-China were blamed for the decrease in acreage and output.

The Department said the official estimate of production in India's reported areas is 73,693,000,000 pounds, a slight gain over the 73,061,000,000 pounds in the year before. The acreage was officially reported at 71,860,000 acres, an increase of two percent from a year earlier.

The rough rice production of Asia's surplus area, Burma and Indo-China, is estimated at 33,000,000,000 pounds, a reduction of 1,800,000,000 pounds from the preceding year and 7,000,000,000 pounds less than the prewar average.

Burma's acreage fell 21 per cent, and production was 10 per cent less. The crop is estimated at only 57 per cent of the prewar average.—United Press.

Whale oil production figures

Washington, May 28.

The Agriculture Department reported today that the production of whale and sperm oil from the Antarctic pelagic whale catch in the 1949-50 season totalled 375,837 short tons, about one per cent less than 1948-49 when the output totalled 379,765 tons.

It said that 18 expeditions representing six countries took part in the Antarctic whale hunt in the last two seasons.

The Department said the combined production of whale and sperm oil was approximately the same in each of the last two seasons for Norway. It said the Soviet and Japanese expeditions had increased their output last season.

The Department also reported that Chile's 1949 whale and sperm oil production totalled at least 3,650 short tons, according to information transmitted by the U.S. Embassy at Santiago.—United Press.

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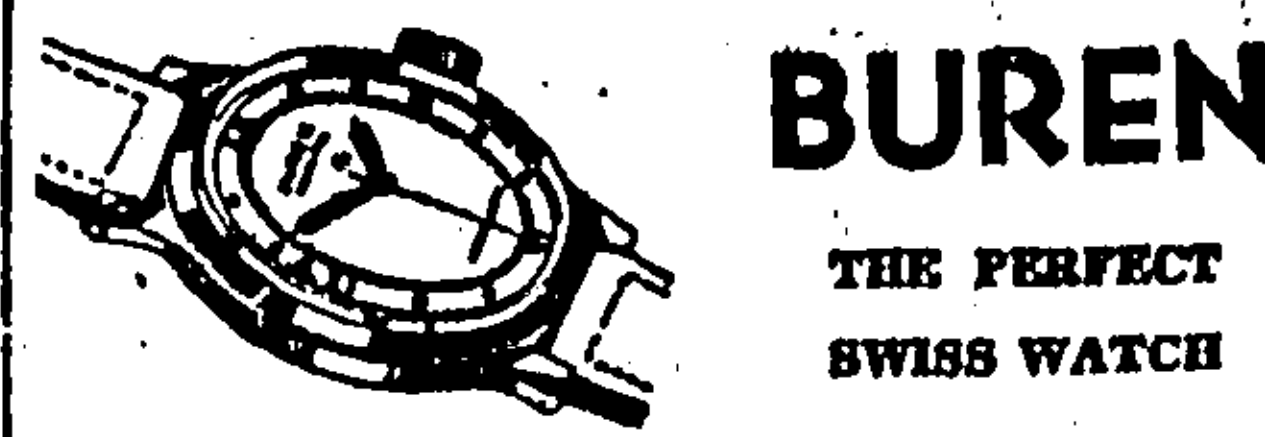
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HONG KONG, MAY 30, 1950.



CLEOPATRA, THOMAS UP, WINS WHITSUN PLATE

The first half of Hong Kong's racing season of 1950 concluded yesterday when a card of 12 events attracted a large crowd of racing fans to Happy Valley despite the heavy rain. Rain fell intermittently during the whole day but this did not dampen the ardour of those punters who managed to pick the winners as dividends were on the high side.

Highest dividend of the day (\$66.70 cents) was paid on Cleopatra which won the Whitsun Plate.

Much credit should be given to W. N. Thomas who rode Cleopatra to victory beating such stalwarts as Kentucky Lady, Debutante and Prestwood—none so far Thomas has but recently graduated from the Novice class.

Tommy Lawton will soon lose this promising young rider as he will be leaving on June 28 to join his father in Australia. During his riding career in Hong Kong W. N. Thomas has gained many friends and his sportsmanship and clean riding will be missed by all racing fans.

Most successful jockey yesterday was H. R. Holgate who scored three wins, one second and one third in seven starts.

The main event

The main event of the day, the Whitsun Plate for Subscribers Ponies of 1950 attracted 10 starters.

The field got off to a fine start with Ben More, ridden by D. Black, taking the lead closely followed by Debutante (F. Noddy) and Kentucky Lady (V. V. Noddy).

Coming round the home bend, the first time round it was Ben More in the lead and Kentucky Lady second. Prestwood (H. R. Holgate) stepped up his pace and took over the pace-making until the Rock. Cleopatra was content to lie in sixth position and at the Rock as Kentucky Lady made her move to take over the lead, both Cleopatra and Kentucky Lady (A. Ostrumoff) moved up alongside. Rounding the bend, the lead but it was short-lived.

Corrib came up fast on the outside and as Kentucky Lady swerved off the rails taking Corrib with her Thomas cleverly steered Cleopatra between them and the rails and shot in to the lead. Cleopatra went on to win easily while Debutante made a belated start to come in second. Corrib held on to the minor position in spite of a determined effort by Prestwood while the fast thing Kentucky Lady dropped completely out of the picture. The following are the results of the events:

Manchester Handicap (first section)

Race 1—For Australian Ponies Class 6. Ponies to be ridden by Novice Jockeys. One Mile. 1. United Victory, 2. Jorrock, 3. Madame Butterfly, 4. Chief Witness. Won by 3 lengths; 1 length. Time: 1 min. 52.5 secs. Pari-Mutuel: Win: \$32.80; Places: \$12.00; \$10.20; \$16.50. BETTING: Chief Witness, 14 (K.D. Hume), Win 527, Place 607; Domino, 139 (Chen Kiu), 2,176, 1,431; Jorrock, 18 (K. Tash), 187, 622; Madame Butterfly, 12 (H.W. Mok), 1,075, 1,081; Radiator, 165 (J.A. Auckley), 2,076, 1,822; South East Wind, 162 (T.L. Daul), 1,064, 1,061; Bunkie, 160 (H.K. Chung), 1,093, 1,070; United Victory, 150 (W.A.N. Darkin), 1,091, 1,206. Total Win 10,452, Place 2,107.

Cornwall Handicap (first section)

Race 2—For Australian Ponies Class 3. Six furlongs. 1. Atomic Power, 2. Jasmin, 3. V. J. Day, 4. The Stranger. Won by 3 lengths; 2 lengths. Time: 1 min. 21 secs. Pari-Mutuel: Win: \$36.30; Places: \$12.00; \$14.80; \$16.50. BETTING: Atomic Power, 14 (H.O. Wool), Win 1,623, Place 881; Fairy Feet, 14 (W.N. Thomas), 2,204, 1,854; Jasmin, 152 (W.K. Hui), 1,041, 1,248; Lady Luck, 152 (H.W. Mok), 1,075, 1,081; Radiator, 165 (J.A. Auckley), 2,076, 1,822; South East Wind, 162 (T.L. Daul), 1,064, 1,061; Bunkie, 160 (H.K. Chung), 1,093, 1,070; United Victory, 150 (W.A.N. Darkin), 1,091, 1,206. Total Win 10,452, Place 2,107.

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Birmingham Handicap (first section)

Race 4—For Australian Ponies Class 7. One mile. 1. Greener Velvet, 2. Esmaraldin, 3. Blue Boy, 4. Silver Spear. Won by 1 1/2 lengths; 1 1/2 lengths. Time: 1 min. 54.5 secs. Pari-Mutuel: Win: \$17.20; Places: \$9.30; \$20.00; \$33.30. BETTING: Greener Velvet, 14 (H.O. Wool), Win 1,623, Place 881; Fairy Feet, 14 (W.N. Thomas), 2,204, 1,854; Jasmin, 152 (W.K. Hui), 1,041, 1,248; Lady Luck, 152 (H.W. Mok), 1,075, 1,081; Radiator, 165 (J.A. Auckley), 2,076, 1,822; South East Wind, 162 (T.L. Daul), 1,064, 1,061; Bunkie, 160 (H.K. Chung), 1,093, 1,070; United Victory, 150 (W.A.N. Darkin), 1,091, 1,206. Total Win 10,452, Place 2,107.

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Chester Handicap (first section)

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Donner Handicap

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Donner Handicap

Race 9—For Australian Ponies Class 7. One mile. 1. Greener Velvet, 2. Esmaraldin, 3. Blue Boy, 4. Silver Spear. Won by 1 1/2 lengths; 1 1/2 lengths. Time: 1 min. 54.5 secs. Pari-Mutuel: Win: \$17.20; Places: \$9.30; \$20.00; \$33.30. BETTING: Greener Velvet, 14 (H.O. Wool), Win 1,623, Place 881; Fairy Feet, 14 (W.N. Thomas), 2,204, 1,854; Jasmin, 152 (W.K. Hui), 1,041, 1,248; Lady Luck, 152 (H.W. Mok), 1,075, 1,081; Radiator, 165 (J.A. Auckley), 2,076, 1,822; South East Wind, 162 (T.L. Daul), 1,064, 1,061; Bunkie, 160 (H.K. Chung), 1,093, 1,070; United Victory, 150 (W.A.N. Darkin), 1,091, 1,206. Total Win 10,452, Place 2,107.

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Race 2	HKS
1st No 1420	2,917
2nd " 2850	834
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Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	1815, 3529, 2393, 834, 104, 4497, 73, 4127.

Race 3	HKS
1st No 3975	2,945
2nd " 3661	842
3rd " 1568	421
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	2609, 3931, 3501, 3204, 2789, 1366, 3538, 2182, 2321.

Race 4	HKS
1st No 3881	3,114
2nd " 4020	890
3rd " 4020	445
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	944, 3430, 3094, 3248, 1385, 2867, 3769, 1184.

Race 5	HKS
1st No 5110	3,910
2nd " 3066	1,117
3rd " 3995	559
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	961, 6095, 4427.

Race 6	HKS
1st No 3047	3,688
2nd " 1106	1,048
3rd " 261	524
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	2113, 621, 2342, 297, 2449, 3512, 4985.

Race 7	HKS
1st No 2760	3,912
2nd " 2780	1,118
3rd " 3357	559
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	4259, 3110, 4428, 2725, 2467, 1942.

Race 8	HKS
1st No 5901	3,953
2nd " 6000	1,121
3rd " 1906	560
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	5557, 2529, 1343, 6058, 3536, 4145, 5153, 4378.

Race 9	HKS
1st No 5267	4,332
2nd " 4003	1,237
3rd " 702	619
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	202, 4338, 258, 6030.

Race 10	HKS
1st No 664	4,008
2nd " 3240	1,145
3rd " 2665	573
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	2185, 6061, 5991, 94, 3622, 2123, 5810, 1683, 195, 2569, 2507.

Race 11	HKS
1st No 5885	4,594
2nd " 4567	1,313
3rd " 1380	656
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	4179, 949, 611, 5489, 1076.

Race 12	HKS
1st No 21335	145,840
2nd " 106367	41,954
3rd " 1318	20,977
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	18069, 45996, 19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

Race 13	HKS
1st No 106367	41,954
2nd " 1318	20,977
3rd " 18069	45,996
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

Race 14	HKS
1st No 106367	41,954
2nd " 1318	20,977
3rd " 18069	45,996
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

Race 15	HKS
1st No 106367	41,954
2nd " 1318	20,977
3rd " 18069	45,996
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

Race 16	HKS
1st No 106367	41,954
2nd " 1318	20,977
3rd " 18069	45,996
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

Race 17	HKS
1st No 106367	41,954
2nd " 1318	20,977
3rd " 18069	45,996
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

Race 18	HKS
1st No 106367	41,954
2nd " 1318	20,977
3rd " 18069	45,996
Unplaced Ponies (HK\$100 each):	19687, 16728, 200917, 177296, 190471, 176199.

The Winner



Cleopatra with Mr. W. N. Thomas up, being led in after winning the Whitsun Plate main event of the day at yesterday's Race Meet. ("China Mail" Photo).

Tommy Lawton has realised his ambition

By ALBION

Notts County at one time being chased closely by Notts Forest and Torquay, ran out fairly comfortable winners of the Third Division (Southern), and gained promotion with a seven points margin.

So Tommy Lawton has realised his ambition of, three years ago, (when he took over the captaincy of County), by taking the Nottingham team into the Second Division.

They had one of the best goal averages in the four Divisions—55 goals for, 50 against—and I would say Mr. Lawton had quite a big say in the 95 for.

Although at times County did not impress, they were perhaps the most worthy of promotion in this league.

NORTHAMPTON after finishing third from the bottom of the table last season, jumped into second place this year, and at one time were challenging hard for promotion.

The past season was a good one all round for the "Cobblers" I should say.

SOUTHEND also had a fairly good season after a somewhat shaky start, and concluded their programme in third place in the table.

NOTTS FOREST, relegated from the Second Division last year, found the play of such a different standard, that throughout the season they never really settled down.

They forfeited many points to weaker opponents, but I think next season will see them knocking hard at the Second Division door.

FORQUAY UNITED, like Chelsea, ultimately flattered to deceive.

After a brilliant run of successes during mid season they fell off badly at the crucial moment.

At one time only two points separated them from the leaders, and it looked odds on that they would eventually overhaul them, but the final reckoning saw County 10 points in the lead, and Torquay in fifth place.

It was good to see the usually struggling WATFORD jump into sixth place in this Division.

One normally associates them with the other half of the table, but there is no doubt that this season was an excellent one for them, and this was due, in no small measure, to a resolute defence, which held them in good stead throughout.

Keep it up Watford! Ronnie Rooke has certainly instilled a playing spirit into the Crystal Palace lads.

After having had to apply for re-election last year, they "made good" by playing themselves into seventh place in the table, and if the new plans for Selhurst Park materialise, we can look forward to Crystal Palace going places in the future.

Don Welch's influence has done much to improve BRIGHTON, and they maintained their 1948/49 season recovery, to finish in eighth place.

BRISTOL ROVERS fortunes seemed to fluctuate during the close season. At one time they were way down in the bottom of the table, but completed their last dozen or so matches on a winning note to move up to the halfway mark.

SWINDON, fourth last season, dropped away a little this season, and could only just manage to remain in the upper half of the table.

READING also slipped this season after finishing up runners-up the previous year.

SWINDON had their usual run in this league and finished on the halfway line.

BOURNEMOUTH, who since the start of post-war football have set the pace in this Division, could only obtain 42 points from this season's fixtures, and finished up around the middle of the table.

PORT VALE, never a very impressive team, managed to hold their own nevertheless, as did BRISTOL CITY.

Bought players EXETER CITY, once languishing at the foot of the table, bought a couple of good players, and eventually played themselves away from the relegation zone.

IPSWICH had a bad season, and we look to them for better displays next year.

LEYTON and ALDERSHOT seem to be consistently at the foot of the table, and only missed having to apply for re-election again by the skin of their teeth.

NEWPORT and MILLWALL have experienced one of their worst seasons.

Both were relegated from Division Two in post-war years, and neither have found things any much to their liking in the Third Division.

Perhaps, next season will see them more accustomed to their surroundings and on the upward trend again.

My next, and final, article will deal with the Northern Section of the Football League.

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Cricketers on quest of County Championship

London, May 28.

All Counties have now set out on their quest of the County Cricket Championship. The same could not have been said a week ago even though the Championship campaign for 1950 had started on April 29.

This is a strange position and one which has led to criticism of the fixtures arrangement, which allows one County some intense preparation before commencing their engagements in the Championships.

Triangular tennis match

Wimbledon, May 28.

The All England Lawn Tennis Club swept into a commanding lead today in its annual two day triangular match with the Royal Tennis Club of Sweden and H. I. K. Club of Copenhagen.

In the singles, Johansson, Royal Club, beat H. T. Baxter, All England, 6-2, 6-4; R. E. Carter, England, defeated Orberg, Royal Club, 7-5, 4-6, 6-1; G. J. Howell, England, beat Reuter, Royal Club, 6-2, 6-2; G. P. Hughes, England, beat Alberckson, Royal Club, 6-4, 6-2; J. C. Gregory, England, defeated Cederin, Royal Club, 7-9, 6-3; T. Johansson, Royal Club, defeated Ibsen, H. I. K. Club, 6-2, 6-0; Orberg, Royal Club, beat Rasmussen, H. I. K. Club, 6-3, 6-3; Felsby, H. I. K. Club, beat Lunde, Royal Club, 6-2, 7-5; Alberckson, Royal Club, beat Hansen, H. I. K. Club, 6-1, 7-5.

Delholm, H. I. K. Club, beat Cederin, Royal Club, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.

In the doubles, Baxter and Carter, England, beat Thielson